



BAPTISTS TO MIAMI BEACH—Air view of auditorium (left center) on Miami Beach where the Southern Baptist Convention will meet May 17-20. Shown in background is the famous "hotel row" and the Atlantic Ocean. Over 500 Mississippians are expected to attend the conference.

State Religious Ed Meeting Set

The Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association will hold its fourteenth annual meeting at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel on the Gulf Coast Feb. 15-17.

Chester Vaughn, Hattiesburg, Association president, has announced that the out-of-state program personalities will include Dr. John Drakeford, professor of Religious Psychology and Counseling at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth; Dr. J. Kelva Moore, associate professor of Principles of Religious Education at New Orleans Seminary; and Dr. Marvin Crowe, administrative assistant, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

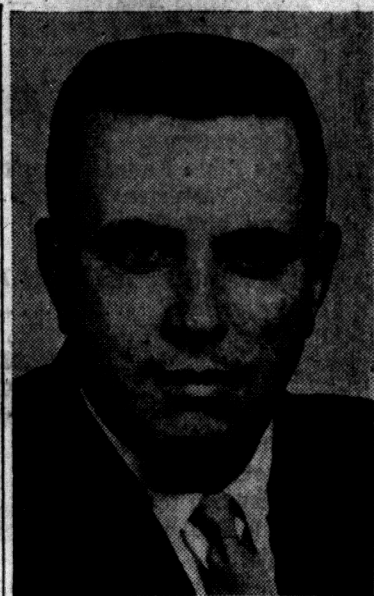
Begins Monday

The meeting is scheduled to get underway Monday afternoon at 1:30 with adjournment set for Noon Wednesday.

The banquet will be held at 7:00 Tuesday evening with Red Michael, educational director of First Church, Meridian, as the master of ceremonies and Dr. Drakeford as the principal speaker.

Tuesday afternoon will be given over to recreation and relaxation.

Other officers are Charles Tidwell, of the Religious Edu-



Dr. John Drakeford

cation Department of Mississippi College, vice-president; Miss Jewel Hannah, BSU director, William Carey College, Hattiesburg, secretary; Paul Adams, music director, First Church, Laurel, chorister; Ben Scarborough, music-educational director, First Church, Kosciusko, pianist; and Rev. W. L. Day, pastor of Calvary Church, Tupelo, pastor-advisor.

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Editors Urge Campaign For Decent Literature

NEW YORK CHURCHES PLAN ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, N. Y. — (BP)—An association of the 43 Southern Baptist churches and missions in this eastern seven-state area is planned for this year, according to Paul S. James of New York, director of Southern Baptist work in greater New York.

James also indicated that a number of the missions will become churches, other missions will be started, including work among Spanish speaking people in New York, and the first simultaneous revivals will be held this spring.

Seven States

The seven state area includes Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Connecticut.

These are events expected to take place this year:

1) the chapel at Portsmouth, N. H., will be constituted as a church with Gene Trawick as pastor.

2) the chapel at Levittown, Pa., will become a church with Padgett Cope as pastor.
3) the chapel at Florham Park will become a church.
4) a full-time pastor will be called at the Farmingdale church.
5) an association will be organized, with first fellowship (Continued from page 2)

Program Released For Evangelistic Conference

The Baptist Record is this week issuing its last call for the State Evangelistic Conference to be held at Natchez Feb. 8-10.

Up to 1,000 pastors, and local church and associational leaders are expected to attend, it has been announced by Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, associate exe-

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (RNS)

—The Evangelical Press Association called here upon all Christians to speak out and "exercise their influence" for the promotion of wholesome literature and decent entertainment.

In a resolution adopted at its annual meeting the association urged the 142 conservative Protestant publications affiliated with the group to "continue to sound alerts against the purveying of offensive literature."

The resolution commended Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield and O. K. Armstrong, former association president and former Congressman "for their effective efforts in" (Continued on Page 2)

MAINE REJECTS PAROCHIAL TRANSPORTATION MEASURE

AUGUSTA, Me. (RNS)—By an 18-15 vote, the Maine Senate voted against a bill which would have permitted public transportation of parochial school pupils on a local option basis.

The Senate action followed a similar move in the House where the measure was rejected by a 76-69 vote. As a result of the bill's defeat by both groups, the controversial issue is dead—at least for the current special session.

Under the defeated legislation towns or school unions (towns banded together to support schools) would have had the privilege of voting funds to provide buses for non-public students. It did not provide for the payment of state subsidies for such transportation.

"Remember Goliad"

By Carl A. Clark
Professor
Pastoral Ministry and Rural Church Work
Southwestern Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas

You remember the story of Goliad in Texas History? Well, now Goliad is back in the limelight. The First Baptist Church of Goliad received the 1959 recognition in the State of Texas in the Baptist Church Achievement Program.

The pastor, Brother Paul Milton, was awarded a plaque indicating that the Goliad Church was recognized as the outstanding rural church of the year in Texas at the Corpus Christi

meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Texas the first week in November.

Accepting Responsibility

A year ago when the Goliad Church decided to enter the Church Achievement Program it appointed three committees and asked them to serve on a planning basis to determine the needs of the church and recommend a program for the ensuing year. These committees as set up by the Achievement Program are "Toward a Better Community," and "Toward a Better World."

The committee "Toward a Better Church" set up a number (Continued on Page 3)

Prepare Now For Feb. 21 — Hudgins

Every Mississippi Baptist church has been urged to prepare now for the Gulfshore Special Offering to be received on Sunday, Feb. 21, it has been announced by Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, and director of the campaign.

Sunday, Feb. 21, the date suggested by the State Convention Board, is "just around the corner," declared Dr. Hudgins, who is urging pastors and leaders in every church to begin now to prepare for this special offering.

"The spirit of the people, as found in the World Missions Conferences the past two weeks, has been wonderful and optimistic," he declared.

"Every church in the state will surely want to share in this unusual opportunity for the spiritual development of Mississippi Baptists," declared Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

Envelopes Mailed

Special offering envelopes and informational brochures are being mailed to every pastor (Continued on Page 2)

cutive secretary.

The following out-of-state leaders will be on program:

Dr. Ramsey Pollard, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of Broadway Church, Knoxville, Tennessee; Dr. C. E. Autrey, secretary Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas, and Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Seminary.

Five sessions will be held, beginning at 7:00 Monday evening with adjournment set for 11:15 Wednesday morning.

Use City Auditorium
Both evening sessions on Monday and Tuesday will be held in the City Auditorium with the day sessions to be held at First Baptist Church.

State leaders to appear on program include Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor of First Church, Holly Springs; Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Jackson, superintendent of missions for Hinds County; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, executive secretary-treasurer; Dr. Leroy E. Green, pastor of First Church, Prentiss; Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor of First Church, Columbia, and Rev. Sansing.

The complete program of the Evangelistic Conference is carried on Page 2 in this issue.



AT STATE VBS CLINIC—Joe M. Haynes, center, director of the State Bible School Clinic at Camp Garaywa this week, points out information in the workbooks for several of those attending. From left: Karl McGraw, Centerville; Rev. James Whittington, Monticello; Mr. Haynes; Mrs. A. L. Knight, Kosciusko, and Mrs. William Brock, West.

SS Board Makes Annual Report

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) Forty-eight of the 51 member Baptist Sunday School Board heard reports of progress during 1959 in almost every area of the Board's work in their recent mid-winter meeting.

"Great steps have been taken and advancement has been made in many directions," James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer, told the full Board at its semi-annual meeting January 25-27 in Nashville, Tenn. J. Earl Mead, minister of education at Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex., is president.

Dr. Sullivan announced that agreements have been made with the Radio and Television Commission, Fort Worth, Tex., Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tenn., and Executive Committee, Nashville, all of the Southern Baptist Convention, to use the Sunday School Board as a distributing agent for many of the materials and supplies produced and formerly distributed by these groups.

The total circulation of materials and the gross income set a new high record in the Board's life.

The Board made supplementary appropriations to state boards for co-operative work of \$731,845 and to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee of \$182,964, a total of \$914,809.

83 Publications

Total distribution of the final issues in 1959 of the 83 publications of the Sunday School Board totaled 15,297,075 — an increase of over 662,000 in same

issues in 1958. A total of 257,371 literature orders were handled, a considerable increase over 1958. A 7.7 per cent increase in pounds of literature shipped brought the total to 14,847,000 pounds of literature that were shipped.

Baptist Hymnals were provided free to 764 new churches and missions, and 1200 new Sunday schools and Training Unions each received free literature for the first quarter of 1959.

Seventy-eight new books total (Continued on Page 2)

First Quarter Mission Gifts Show Increase

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first quarter of this Convention year, ending Jan. 31, totaled \$502,200.54, an increase of 0.9 per cent over the \$497,777.56 given the same period a year ago, it was announced Tuesday of this week by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

Receipts for January were \$187,104.76, a decrease of 5.7 per cent under the \$198,314.50 given in January of last year.

With this year's goal of \$2,500,000 as our challenge Dr. Quarles has urged every church to do its best during February that the rate of increase may be stepped up.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving for Mississippi and Southern Baptists.

Total mission gifts include both Cooperative Program and designated gifts.

Youth Choir Festival Ready

The annual State Youth Choir Festival will be held at Mississippi College, Saturday, Feb. 6.

Director of the festival will be W. C. Morgan, secretary of the music department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Young people from churches all over the state between the ages of 13 and 24 will participate.

Registration for the program will begin at 9:00 a. m., in the lobby of Nelson Hall. Highlight of the day will be a mass concert by the choirs at 3:30 p. m., in Nelson Hall auditorium. Dr. Euell Porter of Baylor University will conduct.

Over 1200 Mississippi Youths will take part in the festival, estimates Morgan.

State Evangelistic Conference

Natchez, February 8-10

Theme: "Evangelistic Awareness Among Baptists"

MONDAY NIGHT
CITY AUDITORIUM

"Evangelistic Awareness—Historical and Present"

7:00 Song and Praise Service

7:15 Welcome to Natchez D. Lewis White

7:25 Books and Evangelism Mrs. O. M. Jones

7:35 The Theme and Purpose of this Conference L. Gordon Sansing

7:45 The Bible Brought Evangelism in Old and New Testament Times C. E. Autrey

8:15 Song and Prayer

8:20 Special Music

8:30 "Evangelistic Preaching Brings Evangelistic Awareness" Ramsey Pollard

9:15 Adjourn

TUESDAY MORNING
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"Evangelistic Awareness—Expressed"

9:30 Song and Praise

9:45 Book Announcements

9:50 "Look on the Fields" Earl Kelly

10:10 "The Soul Winning Pastor" Ramsey Pollard

10:50 Song

10:55 "Enlisting and Developing New Members" C. E. Autrey

11:25 Special Music

11:35 "Making Soul Winners" Leo Eddleman

12:15 Adjourn

TUESDAY AFTERNOON
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"Evangelistic Awareness—In the Harvest Field"

2:00 Song and Praise Service

2:15 "The Association in Action" J. Clark Hensley

2:35 General Conference "A Program of Evangelism" Panel Led by C. E. Autrey

3:35 Song

3:34 "Soul Winning Around the World" Ramsey Pollard

4:30 Adjourn

TUESDAY NIGHT
CITY AUDITORIUM

"Evangelistic Awareness—Power Unlimited"

7:00 Song and Praise Service

7:15 "The Unction of the Spirit" Chester L. Quarles

7:50 "If You Will—I Will" Ramsey Pollard

8:30 Special Music

8:40 "The Urgency of the Hour" Leo Eddleman

9:15 Adjourn

WEDNESDAY MORNING
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"Evangelistic Awareness—Results"

9:00 Song and Praise Service

9:15 "The Price of Soul Winning Power" Leroy E. Green

9:45 "The Plan of a Soul Winning Church" Howard Aultman

10:15 Special Music

10:20 "The Call to a Soul-Winning Program" Leo Eddleman

11:00 Dedication Period Chester L. Quarles

11:15 Adjourn

SS Board - - -

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g over 1,400,000 copies were published in 1959, along with 9 reprints of books (2,200,000 copies), and 824 merchandise items (143 million pieces).

The Braille Baptist increased its circulation. It is mailed free to the blind. During the year, studies were made of the needs of blind persons attending Southern Baptist churches. Plans were formulated for extending the Board's present ministry to this group, by providing a quarterly for Intermediate.

New closely graded lesson materials for Primaries and Juniors were begun in October, 1959. Group graded lessons for Primaries were also begun.

The Sunday School Board now employs 1,337 persons. Nashville is the base of 672 of this number; 632 are in the Board's 52 book stores throughout the Convention; and 33 are in summer assemblies at Ridgecrest, N. C., and Glorieta, N. M. There are also approximately 250 part-time workers.

The names of 7,200 persons interested in church related vocational service were received in 1959, making a total of 18,700 since this work was begun in 1957.

16 Million Tracts

For the second successive year, a circulation total of 16 million general tracts was reported.

Approximately 80,000 persons participated in the Board's Bible Survey Plan, which is promoted by the Sunday school department.

The attendance total at Training Union association "M" Night meetings was 435,990.

The Church Architecture Department answered 9,518 requests for architectural services during 1959. A total of 714 church committees visited the department for conferences and suggestions during the year.

The Church Library Service now has in its files 6,892 church libraries on record; 293 were organized last year.

The Church Recreation Service announced plans for several new pamphlets.

The new 52-page quarterly magazines will begin publication this fall, with the October-December quarter. They are: The Church Library Magazine and Church Recreation. These replace the monthly "Church Library Bulletin" and the quarterly "Church Recreation Bulletin."

Editors Urge - - -

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arresting the spread of pornographic literature."

Deplores Let-Down

It deplored "a let down in moral codes" of such public media as movies and television.

At an off-the-record session, the editors discussed what their stand should be if a Roman Catholic is nominated President.

Dr. Carl F. H. Henry of Washington, D. C. editor of Christianity Today, forthrightly publication, who led the session, said later in an interview that he had urged the editors to discuss the issue "in the broad perspective of the whole problem of Christianity and our freedoms."

Dr. Henry, a Baptist, said he did not think it likely that there would be an "anti-Romanist" crusade on the part of the conservative editors if a Catholic is nominated unless they are "provoked."

Delegates elected Joseph Bayly of Philadelphia, editor of His, magazine of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, association president. He succeeds Mel Larson of Minneapolis, editor of the Evangelical Beacon (Evangelical Free Church of America).

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. —(BP)—The Commission, monthly journal of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board, has become a member publication of Evangelical Press Association.

Editor Floyd H. North of Richmond, Va., represented the magazine at the 1960 association session here, which was attended by two other Southern Baptists—Joe T. Odle of Jackson, Miss., editor of the Baptist Record, and Theo Sommerkamp, Nashville, assistant director of the Baptist Press.

Three other Southern Baptist state papers are members of Evangelical Press Association, but did not have representatives at the Minneapolis meeting. They are the Arkansas Baptist, the Baptist Beacon, of Phoenix, and the Baptist Digest.

Evangelical Press Association has as members publications of many evangelical denominations as well as some non-denominational religious journals. Its purpose is "to promote the cause of evangelical Christianity and to enhance the influence of Christian journalism" by providing contacts among the editors.



YOUNG PEOPLE who conducted the program at the First Church, Fulton for the Itawamba Baptist Association's Youth Rally (Friday, January 15th) are pictured above. They are (from left): Linda Thorne, Evergreen Church, who played and sang a special number; Shirley Martin, Greenwood Church, who gave a vocal number; Phil Sheffield, Fulton, First Church, who brought the message; Ruby Del Harden, Fulton, First Church, who played the organ; Letzie Clayton Fulton, Trinity, who led the song services; and Jan McKee, Fulton, First Church, pianist. The service was planned by Rev. Guy Graham, Itawamba missionary, with the assistance of Rev. LeRoy Grissom, pastor of First Church, and Rev. Victor Clayton, pastor of Trinity Church.—(Photo by Delmus C. Harden).

NAMES In The News

Mrs. Curtis Askew, missionary to Japan, was the guest speaker for the W. M. S. of First Church, Columbus, on Feb. 2. Dr. S. R. Woodson is pastor.

Rev. L. R. Alford is the new missions pastor of First Church, Greenville, Dr. Perry Claxton, pastor.

Dr. Jack Gunn, head of the History and Political Science Department at Mississippi College, who is a Major in the 9911th Air Reserve Squadron of Jackson, was one of twelve outstanding Reservists from throughout the nation to be chosen to attend a two-weeks Communist Strategy Course at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington, D. C.

Prepare Now - - -

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to be used in connection with the special offering Sunday.

Some churches may find it more convenient to use a Sunday other than Feb. 21 while others may need to use more than one Sunday, but every church is urged to participate.

Many individuals have already made special contributions, usually given through their local churches and many others are likewise urged to do so in addition to the general church offering Feb. 21.

One check for \$500 given by an individual through his church has been received, as well as other varying amounts.

Rev. W. L. Meadows, of Quitman, president of the State Convention Board, has been named as assistant campaign director and is working especially toward enlisting individual gifts.

Although Sunday, Feb. 21 has been suggested as the date for the special offering, the campaign will be continued through March 31 and all churches are urged to send contributions in to the Convention Board treasurer's office as soon as possible.

No equipment or furnishings will be purchased except by cash and all funds will be needed as soon as possible to proceed with remodeling and purchasing of equipment in order to get ready by June 1.

A full summer schedule of activities has been scheduled, according to W. R. Roberts, assembly manager.

The campaign to raise \$100,000 was approved by the State Convention Board in November and is the first such special offering in several years.

A survey of the facility revealed that \$200,000 is actually necessary to completely remodel and equip it.

By instruction of the State Convention Board, \$100,000 of the Board's reserve funds has been reinvested for the project, leaving \$100,000 yet necessary which is being sought in the special campaign.

Rev. Dewey M. Metts, former pastor of Maben Church who is now pastor of Mallory Heights Church in Memphis, was awarded a "Certificate of Merit" on Jan. 22 by the Memphis and Shelby County Council of Civic Clubs for outstanding service to the City of Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee and the Mallory Heights Community.

Miss June Weaver, education secretary of First Church, Columbus, has resigned effective Jan. 31 to accept a position as Social Worker with the Department of Welfare in Brewton, Alabama.

Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Seminary, was the speaker for the Jackson County Brotherhood Rally held Feb. 1 at the Unity Church.

Robert Watts, minister of music and education at First Church, Columbus, has resigned to accept a similar position at Eastland Church in Nashville, Tenn.

Lawrence T. Lowrey, President of Blue Mountain College, has announced that the College is the recipient of a substantial check from Gulf Oil Corporation in Pittsburgh, Pa. The check

New York - - -

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meeting in fall.

6) missions in Hartford, Conn., Newburgh, N. Y., and Schenectady, N. Y. will become chapels of the Manhattan Baptist Church, where James is pastor.

7) work with Spanish-speaking people will be started in New York.

8) the first simultaneous revivals will be held in April.

Latest Development

These are the latest developments in the fast-growing work which began in New York City in 1958.

Elmer Sizemore of Georgia became area missionary and assistant to James during 1959. Sizemore works with all of the 43 churches and missions, while James concentrates on the Manhattan church and its five missions.

"By the close of 1960 we expect these five missions to be churches, and we will have organized five additional missions," James said.

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Several on Program

Others on program will include: C. S. Hodge, Hattiesburg; Joe Haynes, Miss Neta Stewart, Miss Gladys Clement, Miss Doris Dickerson, Bryant Cummings, Kermit King, Miss Marjean Patterson, Rev. E. L. Howell, Rev. Ralph Winders, W. C. Morgan, Carl Kosanke, Horace Kerr, Curtis Beard, all of Jackson; Dr. Norman O'Neal, Clinton, Bob Taylor, Starkville, Van Evans, Gulfport; Charles Higgins, Newton; and William Fennell, Jr.

is for general use of the College.

Owen Cooper, executive vice-president of Mississippi Chemical Corporation, Yazoo City, is the author of an article entitled "From A Layman's Viewpoint" in the February issue of The Baptist Program.

Dr. Eugene Grubbs, former pastor of First Church, Charleston, who is now a missionary appointee to Indonesia, is the author of an article, entitled "Preacher, Give Your Best Always!" in the February issue of The Baptist Program.

Dr. W. Edwin Richardson, a native Mississippian and 1923 graduate of Mississippi College, who is president of Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Ky., has been named president of the Junior College Association of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Miss Auris Pender, Southern Baptist missionary to Malaya, has moved from Ipoh to Singapore, where she will work in the office of the Malaya Baptist Mission. Her address is Shaw House, Room 510, Orchard Rd., Singapore 9, Malaya. Miss Pender is a native of West, Miss.

Ross Barnett, Governor of Mississippi and member of First Baptist Church, Jackson, has been voted Mississippi Man of the Year by the Mississippi Council for Christian Social Action. Another Baptist on the Council's Miss. Honor Roll for 1960 is R. A. McEmore, President of Mississippi College and member of Clinton Church, who was voted Educator of the Year.

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Calendar of Prayer

February 8 — Rev. R. B. Patterson, Sr., area missionary; Victor Clayton, Itawamba Assoc. Moderator.

February 9 — Dr. Clarice Robinson, faculty, Wm. Carey College; Jack W. Gunn, Miss. College faculty.

February 10 — Myrtis Foster, Baptist Book Store, Carolyn Hall, Baptist Building.

February 11 — Mrs. J. L. Baker, Tate Assoc. W. M. U. Pres.; Mrs. W. A. Kerr, Yalobusha Assoc. WMU Pres.

February 12 — Rita Duke, Student Director, Blue Mountain College; Louie Farmer, Jr., Student Director, Miss. Southern College.

February 13 — Miss Annie Hendricks, Blue Mountain Starr; J. B. Betts, Riverside Assoc. Music Director.

February 14 — C. B. Bennard, Simpson Assoc. Brotherhood Pres.; James Boggan, Smith Assoc. Brotherhood Pres.

Quarles' Quotes

By The
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Mission Conferences

The World Mission Conferences recently held in Mississippi were the finest conferences we have ever experienced in the ten years these meetings have been held. These meetings are for the purpose of conference, information and inspiration. It is the purpose of our workers to lay a good, solid groundwork for the Cooperative Program as the best means of financing the world missions program. In addition of course other emphases are made and this particular year they were too numerous to innumerate in a column like this.

Generally speaking the meetings were well attended. A supper meeting was held with those who have been chosen to lead in the Gulfshore Assembly Campaign in each association. The first figure in the following list will represent those attending the supper meeting and the second figure will represent those who were in attendance at the regular World Missions Conference. A study of these figures will be interesting.

January 11 — Hillcrest Baptist Church, Jackson—48 and 250.

January 18 — Poplar Springs Drive Baptist Church, Meridian—60 and 300.

January 19 — Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg—43 and 225.

January 21 — First Baptist Church, Gulfport—31 and 88.

January 22 — First Baptist Church, Brookhaven—51 and 225.

January 25 — First Baptist Church, Tupelo—73 and 600.

January 26—First Baptist Church, Starkville—65 and 250.

January 28 — First Baptist Church, Batesville—51 and 229.

January 29 — First Baptist Church, Indianola—47 and 178.

Evangelistic Conference

Last call to Natchez, Mississippi. Next Monday night will begin the great statewide Evangelistic Conference in the beautiful, unusual city of Natchez. Night services will be held in the city auditorium and the day services in the First Baptist Church of Natchez. Laymen, laywomen and pastors should plan to take in as many sessions of this meeting as possible. It is one of the most fruitful and inspiring meetings that we hold in Mississippi each year. This should be the best we have ever had.

Carthage

Last Sunday afternoon the First Baptist Church of Carthage

Bennett Elected

President East

Texas College

MARSHALL, Tex. — (BP) — Howard C. Bennett, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kilgore for the past 17 years, has been selected to succeed H. D. Bruce as president of East Texas Baptist College here.

Bennett's nomination was unanimously approved Feb. 1 by the school's board of trustees. Presidential committee Chairman Luman Holman of Jacksonville said Bennett's decision was pending but that his "acceptance of the position is anticipated."

Mashulaville

Ordains Deacons

On Sunday afternoon, January 17, the Mashulaville Church ordained two deacons, Astor Hill and Woodrow Triplett. The Presbytery was composed of pastors and deacons from Noxubee, Lowndes, and Winston Associations.

Rev. J. R. Boutwell, the pastor of the Mashulaville Church, acted as moderator. Rev. J. H. Royalty, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Macon, preached the ordination sermon; Rev. Lee Hudson, pastor of Immanuel Church, Columbus, brought the charge to the candidates and Rev. B. W. Bridges, pastor of West End Church, Louisville, brought the charge to the church. The ordination prayer was led by Rev. Roy Garrison, pastor of Ruhama Church,

age dedicated its new building, which is beautiful in all of its appointments. The educational space is quite functional and was built under the fine supervision and planning of that capable, Baptist architect, Charles Dean.

Pastor Oster Daniels has done outstanding work in Carthage. The service was well attended with the commodious auditorium completely filled and with chairs in all of the aisles. Your Executive Secretary had the privilege of preaching the dedication sermon and Governor Ross Barnett gave a message of appreciation. The music of the choir was outstanding and inspiring. The Carthage church now has one of the most beautiful churches in our state.

Campaign

The campaign to raise an additional \$100,000 for Gulfshore Assembly is going along in a fine way. This week all over Mississippi were held associational rallies for meetings of local leadership of the churches to lay final plans to reach every church for this emphasis. Our people believe in an assembly program and recognize that we have our greatest opportunity in the wonderful new facility that God has given us. We trust that every church will respond no later than February 21 with a worthy offering for this good cause.

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of areas in which the church needed to achieve. These areas included improvement of the worship service, conducting of an active evangelism program, stepping up the efficiency of the educational work of the church, increasing the stewardship emphasis of the church, enlarging the organizations of the church, the development of a better trained leadership of the church, and meeting some rather desperate needs in the area of its buildings and grounds.

Specific projects in these areas included conducting a school of music, organizing both adult and a junior choir, arranging for special music in the Sunday services, development and training of ushers, and so forth. The projects in evangelism included conducting the church community survey which revealed its potential, adopting a plan of visitation, encouraging family altars, holding a layman's revival and a youth revival, cottage prayer meetings, and tape recording of sermons for shut ins. In the educational program the church attempted to achieve the Standard in all of its organizations, develop a visual aids program, maintain a church calendar of activities, become a five star church, improve the church library, and send more workers to their Latin Mission.

Leaders Encouraged
A church study course on Stewardship was taught and plans laid for entering the Forward Program of Church Finance next year. In order to train these workers the church encouraged its leaders to attend a associational clinics and courses, brought in associational, district, and state workers to teach and to minister to special church needs, and began using the committee system for counting the offering.

The church also voted to redecorate the auditorium, improve drainage on church property, redecorate all rest rooms, landscape the grounds, install needed sidewalks, add additional equipment to the kitchen such as the garbage disposal, refrigerator, and new water heater. They also remodeled and improved the nursery and appointed a committee for a long range study of the building needs of the church, mission, and parsonage.

Toward a Better Community
The church voted to construct appropriate church signs on the major highways, to place the Home Life magazine in the hospital, clinic, doctor's office, and barber shops. The church voted to lend its support to the poll tax campaign and get out the vote program for elections. The church also voted to recommend that its members take more active part in Parent-Teacher Association and they encouraged the school to choose Christian school teachers. The church also planned a community Sunrise Easter Service.

Toward a Better World
The committee working on the projects "Toward a better World" recommended that the church participate in a School of Missions, that it adopt a sys-

IN MEMORY OF "AUNT BETTIE" PICKERING

Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Pickering, wife of R. W. Pickering, who died twelve years ago, died on Jan. 1, 1960.

Survivors are three sons and seven daughters: J. Ransom Pickering, Miami, Fla.; Robert W. Pickering, Jr., and Weldon Pickering, Taylorsville; Mrs. E. P. Ford, Laurel; Mrs. M. C. McDonald, Clinton; Mrs. J. O. McLaurin, Taylorsville; Mrs. J. B. King, College Park, Ga.; Mrs. E. D. Estes, Jackson; Mrs. J. E. Frost, Clinton; Mrs. A. L. Tidwell, Booneville; and one sister, Miss Dagmar Welch, Taylorsville.

"Aunt Bettie," a woman of rare charm and strength of character, lived her entire adult life in Hebron community, Jones County, where she went as a bride 68 years ago. Few people ever lived in the community who were not touched by her influence.

She was a faithful wife and loving mother. She loved her church and proved it by attending its services regularly.

She loved beauty and grew flowers to decorate the church.

The past few years she had not been able to attend church, but just a few days before her going she requested that her Lottie Moore Offering be carried to church.



PARKWAY Church, Jackson, Sunday School, Training Union, and Music leaders are shown as they received their diplomas in the New Church Study Course for teaching and training during the Weekly Officers and Teachers Meeting held Wednesday night, January 20. The above group represents 144 of the 950 names transferred into the new system on October 1, 1959. Mrs. E. S. White, superintendent of Training, is shown making the presentations. Dr. G. Norman Price is pastor, Curtis Beard, minister of Education, Cecil M. Roper, minister of music, J. W. Barfield, Training Union Director, and A. B. Sandifer, Sunday School Superintendent.

tematic way of keeping in touch with students away from home and with church members who are in the armed services. They recommended also that the church bring in a missionary speaker for a week-end, that it participate in the CROP, TANE, or CARE, that it make plans to underwrite the expenses of the pastor to hold a revival in one of the frontier areas, and also voted to invite state or denominational workers to encourage Christian Education among the youth of the community.

The pastor, Brother Milton, says "the greatest advantage of the program is that it is a church program. The people take the inventory, the people find the projects, the people carry on the work of the projects, and the scrapbook records the work the people have done."

The pastor goes on to say "the inventory section is of great importance because it is the eyes of the church." When asked how the church found so many projects, the pastor replied, "this is very simple. The projects are the needs of the church divided into three sections and simply stated."

In talking about other churches, Brother Milton said, "Some churches have made the mistake of trying to copy the projects of other churches. This will assure you of failure. Only as you met the needs of your church will you make progress for the Lord. I maintain that an informed church will do the right thing."

The First Baptist Church of Goliad is a very historic church because of its location and age. It celebrated during the year its 110th anniversary of its establishment. In the celebration special services were held under the old live oak tree where the church was constituted a hundred and ten years ago.

The church, however, not only looks to the past, but thinks of the future. To this end it placed a great deal of emphasis upon keeping the scrapbook in order that those in the future might see what was done in this, their hundred and tenth anniversary. The pastor says, "The scrapbook preserves the work for future generations to see. This scrapbook must tell the story in such a way that a stranger looking at it might feel the pulse of the church."

In talking about the methods of following the church achievement program, the pastor reminds us, "But these are just cold, mechanical things. Methods only. The consuming fire that makes every church a living thing is the presence of God in its members and its program." When Brother Milton was honored for the Achievement, he insisted "all credit is due the church members who worked enthusiastically to promote the cause of Christ through the program of the church so that the church might fulfill the task for which God ordained it."

Newton To Preside At POAU Meeting

BOSTON, Mass. — (BP) — Protestants and Other Americans United for separation of Church and State will hold its 12th national conference in Boston Feb. 8-9.

Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, former President of the Southern Baptist Convention, is president and will preside at the two-day session which has as its theme "Religion and Public Affairs."



REV. L. C. BROWN, CHAPLAIN, left, and Rev. Howard Aultman, right, are shown standing in front of the chapel at Columbia Training School. Rev. Aultman, pastor of First Baptist Church, Columbia, has been the speaker at several of the services held in the chapel.



THE INTERIOR of the lovely chapel at Columbia Training School is pictured above. The building includes Sunday School rooms and the chaplain's office. Morning and late afternoon services are held there on Sundays. On Wednesday mornings a worship service is held in the school auditorium, and devotionals are held in the cottages at night.

Spiritual Program Emphasized At Columbia Training School

A strong spiritual program is being carried out at Columbia Training School at Columbia, under the direction of Rev. L. C. Brown, Chaplain since August, 1957.

Christian men and women of the churches of Columbia teach Sunday School classes at the school. There have been 200 professions of faith in the last two years, many dedications of life, and many students seeking prayer and counsel. Of those professing faith, one hundred ninety-five have united with the church of their choice.

Each child is given a Gospel of Saint John and later, if he shows an interest in God's work, is given a Bible. (Most of the Bibles given are contributed by the Woman's Missionary Union). Methodist societies have also contributed Bibles. The Sunday School literature is contributed by local churches. Fifty Methodist Advocates, fifty Baptist Records, sixteen Sunday Pix, and twelve Home Life Magazines are sent to the school weekly. They also receive 200 Upper Rooms. Auxiliaries in Columbia furnish used magazines.

Local churches and clubs give the students a party each month. At Christmas time, each Sunday School teacher had a party at his or her home for the individual class.

The 42-year-old institution has just finished its first major building program: the building of a cold storage, gymnasium, school, cafeteria, and duplex dormitory.

Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor

of First Baptist Church, Columbia, states: "I have had opportunity to observe this splendid work in a special way, and I regard the effectiveness of the work very highly. Brother Brown is the very best that I have ever seen in the art of getting into the hearts of those young people with desirable results. The boys and girls love their spiritual advisor and respect him very highly. Scores are saved in the chapel services and really find the basis for a happy and useful life in Christ Jesus."



MISSISSIPPIANS GET TOGETHER AT WAYLAND COLLEGE—A minor reunion of Mississippi College students took place recently at Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Texas, after Dr. Robert Hearn, pastor of Second Church, Lubbock, Tex., spoke at the chapel hour. Shown (left to right) with Dr. Hearn (second from right) are Dr. Fred D. Howard, head of the department of Bible, a classmate of Dr. Hearn at Mississippi College; Dr. J. Ivy Bishop, chairman of the division of Bible and religion, who was director of Royal Ambassador Camps in Mississippi which were attended by Dr. Hearn as a boy and who did his freshman year of college at Mississippi College; Dr. Hearn; and Gary Neil Garner, instructor in languages, a 1957 graduate of Mississippi College. Others not in the photograph are E. J. Green, instructor in history; Edward McMillan, associate professor of history; and Mrs. McMillan, instructor in English, all graduates of Mississippi College.

Graham Begins 'Operation Africa'

By TOM McMAHAN
(Mr. McMahon is a Baptist Deacon and Religion Editor of the State, Columbia, S. C., daily newspaper who will accompany the Graham team on its African tour.)

God's trumpet of the 1950s is opening his second decade in the limelight with an African tour which he considers his most ambitious and, in some ways most difficult campaign.

As Billy Graham boarded an airliner in New York for a 20-hour non-stop flight to West Africa, behind the famous evangelist was a very personal "year of decision."

Early in 1959 an eye ailment brought doctors' orders to slow down and a breath of concern swept the evangelical world. But that visual trouble, now cleared up, was only an outward symbol of a quest for new spiritual victory and a fresh sense of direction for his ministry. With the inner struggle came outward signs of God's increased blessings.

Meanwhile, the man with no certain dwelling place for two-thirds of the time was increasingly aware of the price his growing family was paying for his months away from home.

Great Responsibility

Just ahead was a schedule that would tax to the utmost the resources of the seasoned crusader, now deeply conscious that he and his team mates were no longer boys whose mistakes would be overlooked, but men in their early 40s with responsibilities that he said "may be too great."

In restless Africa the tide of independence and self-rule was running strong in most of the nine countries where big mass meetings were scheduled during January, February and March, along with conferences with national leaders, missionaries and student groups.

Everywhere Billy's stabbing finger and ringing voice would point to Christ as the One Who alone makes men truly free. Wherever men would listen he cried aloud that only "a nation under God" can have "government of the people, by the people and for the people."

The message was relevant in Nigeria which stands on the threshold of political freedom. It would strike home with force in Ghana where some observers sense an uncertainty about the direction being taken by leaders who only yesterday tasted the heady draught of power. In the color-conscious Rhodesias a decision was shaping up that some feared as the harbinger of racial war while others saw the portent of peaceful amalgam leading to tremendous prosperity.

Struggle for Maturity

At every other stop on the tour the story would have only slight variations, although outward scenes would be enormously varied. All over the "Dark Continent" nations were struggling to be born or were groping toward maturity.

The Graham team's schedule was tight and demanding. Sixteen cities were on the itinerary in Liberia, Ghana, Nigeria, the Rhodesias, Kenya, Tanganyika, Ruanda-Urundi and Ethiopia.

In almost every place an associate evangelist, one of them an American Negro, is holding a week-long meeting in preparation for a one or two-day stand by Billy Graham.

There is a studied effort to make the meetings training grounds for African Christian leaders, in the spirit of the indigenous principle. The immediate goal of seeing thousands come to Christ is overshadowed by the hope that missionaries and nationals, as well as the team, will be swept by a breath of revival power that will kindle perennial fires of evangelism.

Experiment in Witnessing

An experiment in the area of challenge to personal witnessing was undertaken late in 1959 by two Graham team members who crisscrossed Africa to button up preparations for the tour. They talked with Christian house boys in the hotels and a number of the lads responded by seeking immediately to win some of their buddies to Christ.

Adversaries stood across the path as the larger ministry opened on cricket fields and race courses and in stadiums. Not the least obstacle was the confusion of tongues. In some places local leaders begged for the use of four or five translators to relay each sentence of the sermons. Reluctantly the team decided to limit translation to two languages at any one place, because more than that would distract overmuch. At least one will be used everywhere.

Also potent was the enmity of resurgent paganism, expanding Islam and a manyhued cultism, not to speak of the devilishly clever propagandists of Marx and Lenin and Nikita Khrushchev. Political leaders told Graham team members that the Mohammedans are winning 10 converts from paganism for every one new follower of Jesus Christ. Old tribal loyalties, replete with animistic rites, are growing with the spirit of nationalism.

Prophetic Livingstone

During his first great journey across the then-uncharted continent of Africa, David Livingstone wrote in his journal that the work of pioneers ought not to be judged by the few converts they can report but by the fact that they are diffusing a knowledge of Christianity throughout the world. Then, in a burst of prophetic insight that is being fulfilled in great measure in Billy Graham's crusades, the intrepid Scotsman penned these words:

"Future missionaries will see conversions following every sermon. We prepare the way for them. May they not forget the pioneers who worked in the thick gloom with few rays to cheer except such as flow from faith in God's promises! We work for a glorious future which we are not destined to see."

If the great heart of African exploration is watching the Graham crusade from the battlements of heaven, he knows that the young man who resembles him in many ways, yet is so very different in his powers of speech, has not forgotten those who laid the foundations on which he is building during these weeks.

At a meeting of his team on the eve of his departure for Africa, Billy Graham said that no one has told adequately the story of the contribution of the early missionaries in the opening up of Africa. "There would be no Christianity at all in Africa but for the Christian ex-



Dr. Chester Swor

Religious Emphasis Week At MSU Set For Feb. 8-13

Dr. Chester Swor of Jackson will participate in Religious Emphasis Week at Mississippi State University Feb. 8-13.

He will also be leading a revival at First Baptist Church during this week. Morning services will be at 7:00 so students can attend the services. Each night the services will begin at 7:00 with Dr. Swor leading a seminar for the Young People after each service.

Dr. Swor will speak each day in Noon Day Meditation.

Over 200 students and guests are expected for the Baptist Student Union Sweetheart Banquet with Dr. Swor as the speaker.

Miss Betty Jean Weeks, BSU director at M. S. C. W., will be the toastmaster. Jim Brent, BSU social director, is in charge of the banquet. The program will be centered around the theme "Two hearts and one Goal."

plorers and self-sacrificing missionaries," he added.

Often Billy has said that his own reward in heaven will be much less glorious than the crown given some obscure missionary who labored and died in obscurity without seeing much fruit from his labors! It is faithfulness to the Lord's call that counts and all the limelight and the praise of men can be snares, he explains.

Paying a Price

It should be said, however, that Billy and his associates are also paying a price as they follow their Lord Whose reward on earth is a cross. One of the costs is loneliness—for themselves and for their families. Billy Graham's little two-year-old son often toddles over to an oversize picture of his father and prattles: "Daddy Gone." And the other day Ned's older brother Franklin, not yet eight, asked plaintively, "Daddy, why didn't you come home last night?" When his father replied that he would be home tomorrow night, the lad posed a question that wrenched the heart strings: "Daddy, why do you come home and then leave so soon?" Song leader Cliff Barrows says his four-year-old talks like that, too.

So the team presses on, like Jeremiah with a burning in their bones, a feeling that the world's need is so immediate that the Gospel message must be heralded abroad by every available means, at whatever sacrifice.

What will come of "Operation Africa," this unprecedented "safari for souls" in a continent in commotion where the catalyst of freedom-consciousness is plummeting whole nations toward dates with uncertain destinies?

Asked to Pray

Larry Love, overseas advance man for the Graham team, returned from 200,000 miles of exploratory traveling in Africa last summer with the conviction that the crusades there could affect the course the continent will take — decisively. "Billy Graham will get a hearing in Africa such as no one else ever had," he said. "The world is going to be astounded at what will happen, just as the great meetings in Australia so far exceeded everyone's expectations."

In the light of the need and the challenge and the exciting possibilities of the campaign, all the members of the Graham team have asked Christians everywhere to pray that God will do "great and mighty things"—for His own glory.

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Church and State

A basic tenet of the Baptist faith is the absolute separation of church and state. For all the long centuries of their history Baptists have stood for the principle of "a free church in a free state."

Historian Frank S. Mead in his book "See These Banners Go" says of the Baptists, "Complete separation of Church and State! They have never been a State church, never taken orders from any government or king; in their blood is an eternal insistence that the State shall rule only in affairs political and let the Church alone."

In our nation the founding fathers saw the necessity for religious freedom and separation of church and state for they wrote into the constitution the first amendment which says "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

In his recently published book "God and Man in Washington", Paul Blanshard says, "the particular American combination of tolerance and church-state separation prescribed by our Constitution has often been rated as our most distinctive contribution to modern statecraft."

Evidently the framers of the Constitution of Mississippi held similar views for they wrote guarantees of religious freedom into that document.

The battle, however, seems never to be won. Ever and again groups arise, who, for one reason or another, seek to give the state control over the church, or the church control over the state.

Such a problem faces us here in Mississippi just now. In both houses of the legislature a bill has been introduced, which, in our thinking, would breach the wall of separation between church and state. These bills would allow "local churches" of "Protestant" denominations to withdraw from the "parent church" under certain circumstances and to take with them the title to the church property. The bills are lengthy, but this is the substance of their meaning.

Of course, as is already well known, Baptists believe in and have congregational government, and the ownership and control of the property of the local congregation is in the hands of that congregation. No denominational group or higher level of church authority, has any control of the property of a Baptist church. Moreover, the congregation has the right at any time to withdraw its support of the denominational program. Such freedom and self government is dear to the heart of every Baptist. This authority for local autonomy did not come from the state, however. It is by the will and vote of the churches themselves.

Our chief objection to the proposed bills is that they take away from the denominations this right to make their own decisions concerning their work. We do not believe that the state has the constitutional authority to step in and change the laws of any religious group. If the denomination itself decides to give full autonomy to its churches, that is one thing; if the state seeks to do it, that is something altogether different.

Furthermore, this sets a dangerous precedent in that it opens the door for other types of state control of the churches. If decision is made to change this church law because it is displeasing to some, what is to hinder other changes when other groups feel that they should be made? Freedom of religion would soon be lost under such actions.

Some of us have visited in lands where the government does control the churches. In these lands basic liberties have been taken away, and the freedom of the churches has been destroyed. Never can we forget standing by the sealed door of a Baptist church which had been closed by government officials because they did not approve of the activities of that church. Someone may say, "That can never happen in America." We pray that it may never happen here, but it could happen if our basic liberties are gradually eroded away.

There is another reason this bill should be defeated. It discriminates between religious groups for it specifically states that it is applicable only to Protestant churches. Why this discrimination? Roman Catholic churches do not have congregational government any more than do some of the Protestant groups. If the congregations of some church groups are to be given the right to separation and control of their property, why should not all congregations have the same rights? Any bill which gives rights to some which it does not give to all is not a good bill.

There are numerous other reasons for hoping for the defeat of this bill. It is strongly opposed by the denominations which will be most affected. It may tend to bring confusion and discord in some congregations. It could result in lawsuits and long court cases which would destroy the harmony and fellowship which should prevail in all churches.

We sincerely believe that the churches of Mississippi are able to conduct their own affairs, and defend themselves from outside destructive forces. They do not need legislative action to protect their rights. Let the churches be allowed to retain their God-given, constitutionally guaranteed liberties and they will be able to meet every problem which arises.

Complete separation of church and state should be perpetuated, so that Mississippi may continue to grow and prosper under the blessing of God.

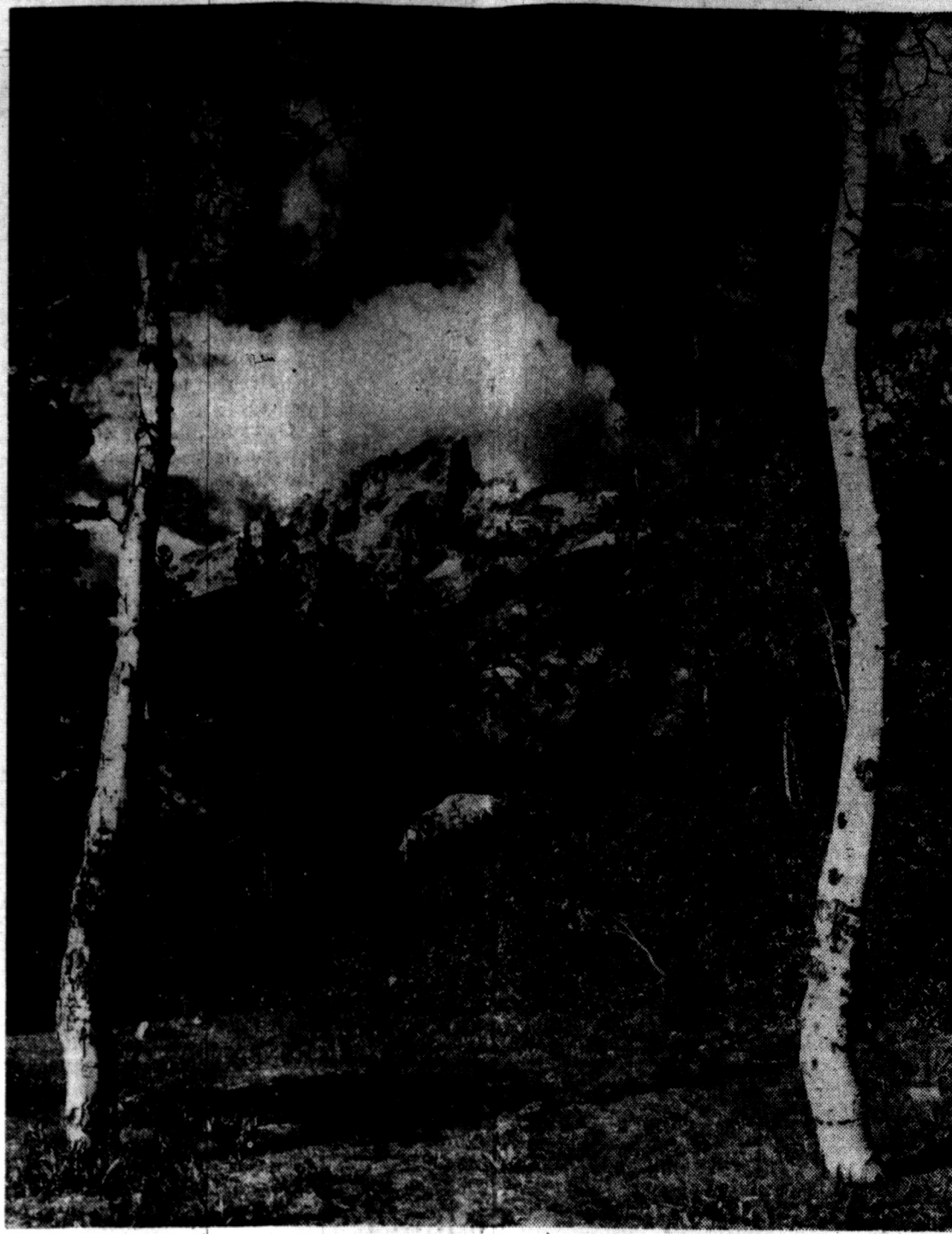
The Preacher's Revival

An editor in another state has called the annual Evangelistic Conference a "preacher's revival", and that is an apt description. In no other meeting do the preachers receive the warmth of heart and challenge to action, that is received in this annual gathering to consider the winning of souls.

Preachers need to hear preaching, just as does the congregation. How little, however, is the opportunity for them to sit at the feet of great preachers and feed their souls on the Word of God as it is expounded. The evangelistic conference gives that opportunity, for it is meeting without business or reports. At session after session men of God stand up and preach, and periods are given to prayer and testimony. When the conference is over the preacher usually finds his own heart and soul so filled that he is anxious to get back to his field to begin in a greater way his witness for Christ.

Next week preachers and other church leaders will gather in Natchez for the 1960 Mississippi Baptist evangelistic conference. A great program has been planned. Bro. Gordon Sansing and the host churches at Natchez have prepared well for a glorious meeting. The attendance should be the largest ever seen at such a meeting in our state.

Pastors, it is not too late to plan to come to Natchez. Churches, why not make provision now for your pastor to



"I WILL LIFT UP mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-2.—Union Pacific RR Photo.

19TH CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS MISSIONARY SOCIETIES FORM ALABAMA STATE CONVENTION

SALEM CHURCH, Alabama, October 28, 1823 — (BP) — The vision and zeal of Baptist foreign missions pioneers such as Luther Rice, William Carey, and the Judsons bore unexpected fruit in the homeland today in the formation of the Alabama Baptist Convention.

Fifteen delegates from missionary societies met here near Greensboro to draw up a constitution and to form the state convention. The societies originally were formed by Luther Rice and others for the support of Baptists' foreign mission program.

Marion, Alabama
Charles Crow, pastor of Si-loam Baptist Church, Marion, Alabama, was elected first president of the convention. James A. Randalson, who was active in calling delegates together, was named secretary.

In keeping with the missionary spirit responsible for the formation of the societies which sent delegates, the new convention will be missionary in nature. Objectives include promoting missionary and religious instruction throughout the state, extending the benefits of the gospel to the heathen, and improving the education of the gospel ministry.

The state was divided into three districts and delegates were assigned to each district to promote the work of the convention. Randalson was unanimously elected state missionary agent.

The convention was organized with funds totaling \$362.67, contributed by the societies. In addition, a gold watch, a pair of socks, and two boxes of clothing and other provisions for distribution among the Indians had been received. Gifts were designated for promotion of missions, Bible distribution, ministerial education, and subscriptions.

Four State Conventions
A scattered denomination which has emphasized the autonomy of the local church, Baptists have begun to organize on national and state levels—usually for the purpose of promoting missions. In addition to the General Missionary Convention which Luther Rice led in forming at Philadelphia in 1814, there are now four state conventions in the South.

Richard Furman led South Carolina Baptist to form a state convention in 1821. Georgia Baptists, who had a general committee for many years formed a state association in 1822. In June of this year, just a few months before Alabama Baptists organized, a General Association of Baptists in Virginia was formed.

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First, Cleveland Adopts Rotation Of Deacons System

First Church, Cleveland, recently adopted a rotation system for deacons, and at the Prayer Meeting service on January 27, six men were installed to the Board of Deacons, with three of these being ordained as deacons.

The men ordained were John H. Pace, Hugh Smith and Howard Robinson. The following were added to the Board of Deacons: M. D. Buckels, Jr., W. H. Hillburn and William F. Stewart. Rev. James Breland, Rev. Hackett Dyre and the pastor, C. A. Webb and a large number of deacons participated in the ordination service.

attend? It will enrich his ministry and bless the whole church program. The tone for our whole soul-winning program for 1960 may well be set in Natchez next week.

Traveling Afar

At one of the sessions of the Evangelical Press Association in Minneapolis last week, the Executive Secretary, who had just returned from a world mission tour which included a visit to Russia, said:

"We attended the services of the First Baptist Church in Moscow. We also visited an office where one of the workers of that church was translating a copy of the Baptist Record of Mississippi into the Russian language for use of some of the church leaders."

The Baptist Record does travel far, going into 30 foreign nations, and into 45 states as well as to practically every post office in Mississippi. Russia is not the furthest distance a copy travels for some of them go to countries of Southeast Asia, halfway around the world.

It would be impossible to figure just how far all the copies of one week's issue travel, but we pray that they may all bring information, inspiration and blessing to every home or office they reach.

Pages

From The Past

By J. L. BOYD, Sr.

50 YEARS AGO

Pastor Joseph Jacob at Meadville tells of his recent arrival on the field and of the awakening of all church people of the new town. Whereas formerly the Baptists, Methodists and Presbyterians had all used a chapel, each group has come in possession of a lot and paid for, and are proceeding in building their houses of worship. (He speaks of a "great trouble here last year." — Perhaps the chapel had burned down or blown away by a cyclone.)

40 Years Ago

The Pelahatchie Church dedicated their new house of worship free of debt and Pastor S. P. Morris and people were happy when the last canceled notes were burned. Rev. Zeno Wall of Clinton preached the sermon and Editor P. I. Lipsey led in the prayer.

At a recent prayer meeting hour in the Second (Calvary) church of Jackson the people came in unusually large numbers "with loads of things desirable in these days of H. C. L." Pastor H. M. King in an effort to express appreciation was overcome with emotion that had to call on Mrs. King "who was equal to the occasion."

The Baptist people (with a scattering of Methodists) of Georgetown, Lincoln County, invaded the pastor's home and gave Pastor and Mrs. N. J. Lee "a glorious good pound-ing."

25 Years Ago

A new Baptist church was organized in southern part of Lafayette County with "some 23" charter members, who had formerly belonged to Live Oak Church which had ceased ten years before. Dr. R. B. Gunter and Rev. R. L. Breland were the two Baptist preachers in this new movement. The news item does not reveal what the newly organized church was called. Will some one reading this column let me know whether the newly constituted church was named Anchor Baptist Church? The new church is reported to have been constituted in the home of Mrs. Rhoda Christian.

How's this: Little Brother: "Do you know what they call small, gray cats in Canada? Big Boy: "No." Little Brother: "Kittens."

Teacher: "A fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer."

Student: "No wonder I flunked."

New Books

Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

HUSBAND A DRINKER

QUESTION: My husband was saved several years after our marriage but never completely gave up drinking. I prayed for him to see his weakness. One day he came home and said, "You know, God did something for me today; I really saw myself as a coward."

Then he never drank for several years. The Church made him a deacon and he was a wonderful leader. Now he has started drinking again and is running around with a rough crowd. What on earth am I to do? I am broken hearted.

ANSWER: Pray some more and try to understand your husband.

If your husband is coming home drunk or misbehaves because of his drinking, you may have to take some drastic action. If he is not, you should leave the decision about drinking to him.

People drink for various reasons, to be sociable, to get relaxed, to spite their wives, to defy God and the church, to have an excuse for additional sins, and many other reasons.

This is one of our most complex social and religious problems. Alcohol is treacherous.

Try helping your husband find a good substitute for drinking—good home life, recreation, and a rich Christian experience. "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess but be ye filled with the spirit."

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 W. 47th St., Kansas City 12, Missouri).

OUTSIDE THE CAMP by Charles C. West (Doubleday, 168 pp., \$3.00).

A former teacher in Chinese Universities and present leader in the work of the World Council Ecumenical Institute in Switzerland discusses the question "In the revolutionary insecurity of Asia and the mass culture of the West, what is God doing and what is the Christian's role?" An intriguing and challenging study of the Christian in today's world.

STOP EXISTING and START LIVING by Merrill F. Unger (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 131 pp., \$2.50). Shows that there is more to life than mere existence when man finds Christ, and then moves on to the fullness of life which He alone can give. Chapters like these reveal what may be expected in this book: "Discovering Him Who is Life," "Receiving Grace that Provides Life," "Exercising Faith that Brings Life," etc.

Baylor Choir To Present Concert In Meridian

Baylor University A Cappella Choir will present a concert of Sacred Music, Friday, February 5 at 7:30 p. m. at Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian.

Dr. Euell Porter, professor of sacred music and voice in the Baylor School of Music, is director of the 41-member choir.

The choir, featured in Natchez on January 27 by First Baptist Church, will participate in the Youth Choir Festival at Mississippi College on February 6.

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BAPTIST FORUM Seeks Grave Of Grandfather

I am trying to locate the cemetery where my grandfather and mother are buried somewhere in the Madison County area. Since everybody reads the Baptist Record, I'm appealing to you for help.

My grandfather's name was Laebon Armstrong born May, 1814; his wife, Eliza Hillman, born October 27, 1816. A daughter named Lucy Ann, born January 8, 1838 is also believed buried in the same vicinity. Their dates of death are not known but are prior to 1900.

Any information concerning the location of where they lived or their place of burial will be greatly appreciated.

Hilman Donald
Box 2164
Jackson, Miss.



THE GROUP above attended Bible Study Week at First Church, Vicksburg, January 17-21. This group's nightly attendance was 142. The pastor, Dr. John G. McCall, taught the class of Young People and Adults. Other classes met simultaneously for all ages. Total enrolment reached 250, by far the best attended Bible Study Week in the church's history. W. S. Fennell, Jr., is Minister of Education.

Around The World In Seventy-Five Days

By Herschel H. Hobbs
Pastor, First Church, Oklahoma City
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FORT WORTH—(BP)—Yes, we made it in five days less than David Niven. Recently, Mrs. Hobbs and I, along with convention president Ramsey Pollard, his wife, and others made a trip around the world. The immediate purpose was to be present at the 70th anniversary celebration of the beginning of Southern Baptist mission work in Japan, and to conduct evangelistic crusades in Japan and Korea.

Returning, we visited mission fields along the way. In all we touched upon three continents and 14 countries. We saw multitudes of people wherever we went. The words "explosive population" are just words until one sees the teeming millions of every oriental nation. Cities of over a million people are commonplace. Japan with 93 million people in a land area little larger than California—and increasing at the rate of one million annually. India with 400 million people—most of whom live in poverty. Thailand with 30 million people—one Buddhist priest

for every 100 people, over 600 pagan temples in Bangkok alone.

After a brief 10 years, Southern Baptists have one missionary for every one million people.

We saw physical and spiritual misery. In Korea, poverty of the people is compounded by the flood of refugees from North Korea. Hong Kong with three million people, one-third of whom are refugees from Red China, and for the most part unemployed. India where the fabulous wealth of the rich stands in vicious contrast with the struggle for survival of the poor (no middle class of speak of), most of whom have never had a full stomach in their lives.

But the greatest poverty is spiritual. Japan is almost a spiritual vacuum. Shintoism practically died as a vital power when the emperor disclaimed deity.

Hinduism and Buddhism now are more cultural than religious forces. The people go through the forms of worship but little more. Agnosticism is present everywhere.

The foregoing is equally true, or more so, in Korea. Even where a strong belief in their traditional religions still pre-

ails, it amounts to emptiness. In India, where one may truthfully say that there are more gods than people, the conditions of life both inward and outward give eloquent testimony to a religion of futility.

We concluded that much of this oriental area is wide open for the gospel. For instance, Japan and Korea enjoy religious freedom. We can go anywhere and, in most places, use any method we choose to communicate the gospel to them.

The Korean people are responsive to the gospel. In every revival held there, a great response was enjoyed. The same was true of Japan.

Japan is the key to Southeast Asia. Whoever wins Japan will have made a giant stride toward reaching the most populous area of the earth. A spiritual vacuum, Japan can go either to Communism or to Christianity. The next decade may well tell the story for centuries to come.

We must spend more money for mass communication of the gospel. In Italy, we were told that the most effective single work we are doing is in the field of publication.

Somehow we must use radio and television if we are to cross boundaries, overcome prejudices, and literally sow down these lands with the gospel.

To capitalize on such we shall need armies of missionaries and churches with which to occupy and develop the land along Christian lines.

The majority of Japanese people own radios. One sees myriads of transistor radios being carried along the streets tuned in to some station. And television is making rapid strides everywhere.

From missionaries and local leaders we found a willingness to use those media. The only delay in so doing was a lack of money.

Southern Baptists have the men and means. Southern Baptists must rise to the need or else lose their opportunity. We veritably believe God is permitting our military forces, along with our allies, to hold back the power of evil to give us the opportunity of overcoming it with the power of the gospel. If we fail—who knows? It is a thought too terrible to ponder!

J. K. David Dies

Joseph Knox David died January 14, 1960. Funeral services were held January 15 at Red Creek Union Church near Perkins, with Rev. Marvin Vaughn officiating, assisted by Rev. Bert West and Rev. Lawrence Walker. Eugene Havens directed the choir as they sang "The Lily of the Valley." Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. David, a lifelong resident of Mississippi, was a member of Red Creek Union Baptist church where he was a deacon for nearly 20 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Esther Wilkerson David, Ocean Springs; one son, W. E. David, and two grandchildren, Biloxi; three sisters, Miss Ruby David and Mrs. T. J. Roberts, Wiggins; and Mrs. Ida Wilson, Biloxi; one brother, A. C. David, Perkins.

1st, N. Albany Exceeds LM Goal By \$800

This year's Lottie Moon goal, at First, New Albany, an increase over the year before, was \$3808. The total received this year was \$4,603.00.

Twin Cities Scene Of Church Growth

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — (BP)—Here in one of the leading grain centers of America, Southern Baptists are planting the seed of the Word of God.

Minneapolis and its neighbor to the east, St. Paul, form the 13th largest metropolitan area of the United States, with population of 1½ million.

Southern Baptists have only one affiliated church in the Twin Cities, which are the gateway to the Pacific northwest for rail and highway traffic. Indeed it is the only Southern Baptist church in Minnesota, but it is an active one.

The Southtown Baptist Church occupies 10 acres in Bloomington, a suburb 10 miles south of downtown Minneapolis. It has a mission meeting in the Y M C A in St. Paul and another mission downtown in Rochester, home of the famous Mayo Clinic.

St. Paul, though the smaller of the Twin Cities, is state capital. Southtown Church's pastor preaches to the Y M C A group there at 9:30 a. m. Sunday, then hops in his car and hopes for a string of green traffic lights as he hustles 14 miles to his own 11 o'clock service.

Three Southern Baptist editors, in the city for a press convention, attended the first home fellowship in Brooklyn Center eight miles north of downtown Minneapolis. In this suburb will come the third Southern Baptist preaching point in the Twin Cities.

Met In Home
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wasson, formerly of Tulsa, Okla., was scene of the meeting. Editors Joe T. Odle of Jackson, Miss.; Floyd H. North of Richmond, Va.; and Theo Sommerkamp of Nashville, brought greetings.

The Wassons and three other couples will probably be the nucleus of Brooklyn Center when it has a mission six months or more from now. Until that time, the group will conduct home fellowship meetings on a week night once a month. Sunday services must await mission status.

Southtown's mission in St. Paul will have its own full-time minister soon, looking forward to becoming an independent church within a few months.

It's fitting that Southern Baptists should have a church in the city named after the greatest missionary known, the apostle Paul. When established it will mean that there are churches the most distant cities of the Mississippi River, at least that part of it which may be navigated by sizeable vessels.

Though St. Paul is 550 miles south of the source of the river, falls and rapids between Minneapolis and St. Paul prohibit movement of ships. New Orleans at the southern end, near the Gulf of Mexico, is 2,435 miles away.

Southtown Church and Texas Baptists, which sponsor work in Minnesota and Wisconsin, have purchased a choice, six-acre lot at the intersection of two main thoroughfares in suburban West St. Paul (which is actually due south of the capital). The lot has a two-story, nine-room home which will be used for meetings until the church builds its own auditorium. 12,000 cars pass the corner daily.

Another Corner Lot
Southtown Church also holds another corner lot of four acres next door to Hamline shopping center in Roseville, a north side suburb of St. Paul. This was bought while available at a fair market price and will be used when a mission is organized in that vicinity.

Twin Cities development is

following the pattern in major cities in the seven other Great Lakes states. Property is either too costly or unavailable in downtown locations, so it is being secured in growing suburbs encircling the metropolitan area.

Minnesota, known as the "Star of the North," is linked with the "Lone Star" state of Texas. The Baptist General Convention of Texas is fostering the work.

Pastoral missionary Warren Littleford said surveys of the Twin Cities, conducted with aid of student summer missionaries, show that 90 per cent of church members are Lutherans or Roman Catholics, with Lutherans the more numerous. Presbyterians follow in number. About one per cent is Baptist.

New Mission Growth

With the growth of new missions, several Southtown church families will be spared back-breaking Sunday commuting. Take the Ralph Tebbenkamps who live in Elk River, where Tebbenkamp is supervisor of a farm where a leading feed manufacturer tests its product on chickens and livestock.

The Tebbenkamps live thirty miles northwest of downtown Minneapolis, or 40 miles from Southtown Church. They are one of the families who will be in the Brooklyn Center mission, which will cut their driving time in half.

The Ed Richarses attend Sunday morning service at the St. Paul Y M C A. But if they wish to attend the evening service, they must drive from White Bear Lake in far northeast St. Paul to Bloomington, through approximately 25 miles of city traffic one way, for the mission has no night service.

Severe winter weather conditions make long commuting difficult.

As pastoral missionary, Littleford serves as pastor of Southtown Church and helps develop work in the Twin Cities. Seeking and securing property for future churches is a major responsibility. He is presently trying to find a good site in Brooklyn Center and next will look for one in the Lake Minnetonka area due west of Minneapolis.

Native Chicagoan

A native Chicagoan, Littleford attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale and graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, coming to Minneapolis in 1956, shortly after seminary days. He enthusiastically talks of the day when Southern Baptists will have six missions or churches "ringing" the Twin Cities (counting present sites). He drives 400-500 miles a week carrying out his many duties.

Southtown Church occupies a beautiful building with a 200-capacity auditorium (nursery facilities, a pastor's study, classroom space, and a small kitchen). Its \$75,000 debt is three-fourths guaranteed by groups of Texas Baptists in this way—one fourth by Texas convention, and a fourth each by the First Baptist Church of Alice, Tex., and the First Baptist Church of Harlingen, Tex. It has a \$28,000 budget for 1960.

In addition, churches in McKinney, Tex., and Midland, Tex., are contributing for at least one year to monthly payments on the debt.

As evidence that leadership in the area will continue to be outstanding, Littleford said of work in the Twin Cities area, "We don't seek a pastor who can not serve a larger church at greater salary where Baptists are more numerous."

He said also that development of future missions in Minnesota depends on finding Southern Baptist families who have moved to the state. "Baptists in other states can help us a lot by sending the names of these families to the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta," he added.

Trinity, Jackson Calls Pastor

Trinity Church, 3715 Forest Hill Road, Jackson, has called a pastor.

Rev. R. G. Wooten, principal of Forest Hill School, who has been serving as supply pastor, has been called to serve as regular pastor until the church can be constituted.

The congregation plans to build a new church soon.

BAPTIST MISSIONARIES ALL — The Calcote Family, Gena, Ralph, Stuart, Cherryl, Nancy and Janet.

The Calcotes Write From Japan

36-8 Narumizu Machi
Yahata, Japan

Dear Mississippi Friends:

A whole year has passed since we last wrote. It hardly seems so long but when we see our nine month old daughter, Janet, crawling around the house getting into so much mischief, we know that surely the time must have elapsed. It has been a busy year. In many ways it has been regarding far beyond our expectations. In other ways, we have had to learn to be more patient—to wait upon the Lord for the fruit of labor for Him.

Our work at Nogata has shown some progress but not as much as we had hoped for. Funds came from the Foreign Mission Board in January for a little church building (\$2,800) which was dedicated on May 24. On the same day we had the installation service for our pastor who had just graduated from the seminary. The building has been a blessing. It has given us a place to work and worship and has definitely helped to strengthen our work there. Since we still have no parsonage, the pastor is living in the church building.

Patience Necessary

We have not seen growth in baptized believers in Nogata that we had hoped and prayed for this year. We have baptized four and they are precious to the Lord and to us. However we still must have many more before the church can be strong and self-supporting. In most places in Japan evangelism continues to be slow, winning one by one to the Lord. Every year we learn more and more the

necessity for patience, and prayer, and complete dependence upon the Lord.

In October we had a wonderful area-wide evangelistic campaign which was held in the Yahata City Auditorium. Dr. Kearnie Keegan, Southwide B. S. U. Secretary and Mrs. Jim Stertz of the Foreign Mission Board came to be the preachers for the occasion. Christians were blessed and empowered and over 200 decisions were recorded.

Has Anniversary

This year our Japan Baptist Convention observed the 70th Anniversary of the beginning of Southern Baptist work in Japan by holding special evangelistic meetings in churches and missions all over Japan. A five year program of evangelistic advance was inaugurated with plans for doubling our number of churches by 1964. Our Japan-wide fellowship continues to grow in numbers and also in devotion to God.

We appreciate your prayers for our family, the churches with which we work, and for all churches in Japan.

The CALCOTES,
Gena, Ralph, Stuart,
Cherryl, Nancy and Janet.

HOUSTON — (BP) — The Baylor University College of Medicine here has received two new grants totaling \$297,200. A \$125,000 grant for research into the causes and cures of blindness was made by a prominent Methodist family through the Fondren Foundation.

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Brotherhood Leadership Responds

We, of the Brotherhood Department, wish to express our very deep appreciation for the fine response which our Brotherhood leadership gave as evidenced by the very good attendance at the World Missions Conferences throughout the state. Approximately 300 men attended the eight Brotherhood conference periods of the recent World Missions Conferences.

If you did not attend one of these Conferences, we would like to tell you some of the things which we discussed. First, in the Royal Ambassador program of activities, will be the Congresses which are scheduled as follows:

March 24 — First Baptist Church, Pontotoc.

March 25 — First Baptist Church, Vicksburg.

March 26 — Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel.

Our second emphasis in the Royal Ambassador program was our camping program which begins the first full week in June (June 6) continuing for five consecutive weeks and closing July 9. There are several changes which we wish to mention, relative to our camping program. Reservation fees and requests for reservations will not be sent to the Brotherhood Department, but should be mailed to W. R. Roberts, Kittiwake Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Miss.

We are planning for our camping program to be at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, the newly acquired assembly for Mississippi Baptists. Third, each camping period will be extended from Friday noon until 8:00 o'clock Saturday morning, giving time for an enlarged and more effective camping program, and at the same time permitting counselors and boys to have a full day for the return trip home. In making your

camping plans, we would like for you to keep in mind that juniors and intermediates may come at the same time, therefore, making it more convenient for those who are responsible for transportation.

Announcement was made concerning the change in date for our Brotherhood Leadership Encampment, a state-wide phase of our training program for Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador Leadership. Plans are under way for this Encampment to be held August 26-27, at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly.

We have found that many of our churches are not getting and using the "Brotherhood Journal." Of course, you understand that the "Brotherhood Journal" is the primary source material for church Brotherhood programs. In this same connection, we discussed the use of the new "Brotherhood Handbook," which is, in our estimation, one of the finest publications to date adapted especially for the use of those who have the responsibilities of program and activity planning.

We took a minute to emphasize the use of both the "Brotherhood Guidebook" and "Guide for Royal Ambassador Counselors."

We talked about the Royal Ambassador periodicals — "Ambassador Leader" and "Ambassador Life." Of course, you know that the "Ambassador Leader" is a magazine designed primarily for counselors and those working with Royal Ambassador chapters. "Ambassadors Life" is the boys' magazine chuck-full of interesting and helpful information and has the program material for both junior and intermediate Royal Ambassador chapters.

If you were not in one of the nine Conferences, we wish to say that we missed you.

Simple Sermons Amaze Koreans

"All we hear from this man is Jesus." Thus one Korean Baptist preacher voiced his and his colleagues' amazement that the president of the Southern Baptist Convention would go to Korea and preach simple evangelistic sermons.

Dr. Ramsey Pollard, of Broadway Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., and two other Southern Baptist pastors, Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, and Dr. Thomas A. Patterson, of First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Tex., set in motion ripples of revival with their gospel messages during the Baptist New Life Crusade, held November 8-20 in six Korean cities.

265 Decisions
There were 265 decisions for Christ and about 200 rededications of life registered in all the meetings. "It was thrilling to see the people move out into

the aisles, forgetting all about the custom of not going forward during an invitation," writes a Southern Baptist missionary. "It was also a joy to see Koreans, missionaries, and American servicemen speaking to their neighbors to ascertain whether they had made that all-important decision for Christ."

Sponsored jointly by the Korea Baptist Convention and the Korea Baptist Mission, the crusade was part of a worldwide Baptist emphasis on evangelism in 1959.

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THE INTERMEDIATE G. A. of Utica Church entertained the members of the W. M. S. at a tea on Monday, January 11, as a feature of WMS Focus Week. The above girls served during the tea. Left to right: Dorothy Curtis, Sandra Weaver, Bettie Dixon, and Doris Dixon. Rev. W. T. Dixon, Jr., is the pastor.

The Southern Baptist Press Association, before which Wolseley will speak, is made up of editors of nearly 30 Baptist state papers plus editors of several other denominational periodicals.

WOLSELEY TO ASSIST JOURNALISTS

NEW ORLEANS, La. — (BP) Roland E. Wolseley, well-known professor in Christian journalism, and writer of books on this subject, will make his third appearance with Southern Baptist editors in a meeting here Feb. 15-17.

Wolseley is chairman of the magazine department in the school of journalism at Syracuse (N. Y.) University. He is the author of interpreting the Church through Press and Radio and several other journalism books.

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— THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON — Paul's Witness Perseveres

Sunday Reports

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
PERSEVERANCE IN CHRISTIAN WORK.

Scripture Texts: Acts 18:1-22; 1 Cor. 1:26-2:5.

INTRODUCTION. Early in the year 50 or 51, Paul arrived in Corinth, a city fifty miles south of Athens. Here he stayed two years, because Corinth was important in the eyes of the Lord. Situated on an isthmus that connected two divisions of Greece, it separated two seas, the Ionian on the west and the Aegean on the east. The city had been burned to the ground by the Roman general and the site lay derelict for exactly a century when it was rebuilt by Julius Caesar in 46 B. C.

The city enjoyed a very rapid growth, becoming in just a brief period, the capital of the Roman province of Achaia. With this commercial growth and political significance, there grew also a pleasure loving spirit which expressed itself in a licentiousness which beggars description. For instance, the temple of Aphrodite (Greek), or Venus (Latin) was served by a thousand prostitutes, holy (?) priestesses, who sold their bodies for hire and devoted the

price received to the goddess of the temple.

Paul came down to Corinth where he seems for a time to have relaxed the vigor of his evangelistic efforts, and to have engaged for a while in the diversion of manual work. Here was a tired preacher on limited vacation. When certain church members learn that their hard-worked preachers need an occasional season of recreation, those same deacons and other leaders will act with more sense.

In Corinth Paul made a pair of friends of two people, converted Jews, no doubt, whose company gave him great encouragement and a pair of fine companions in secular labor, for they were all tent-makers, or better, perhaps, leather-workers, saddlers. With this fine pair, Aquila and his wife Priscilla, Paul labored during the work-week and went into the synagogue on Sabbaths and spoke for Jesus. This went on for a few weeks while Paul's courage rose, his spirit rested, and his body, always weak, regained strength. Then came Silas and Timothy, and "that did it." "What are we waiting for?"

I. THE CONSTRAINT OF THE SPIRIT. The physical, spiritual, and financial help which Silas and Timothy brought him enabled Paul, set him free, to offer himself more wholly to the constraint of the Spirit. He could the more keenly feel the pressure of the duty laid upon him and to experience the, "Woe is to me, if I proclaim not the gospel!" (1 Cor. 9:16); and the "For if I do this willingly, I have a reward; but if unwillingly, I have a stewardship entrusted to me" (1 Cor. 9:17); or the other, "A necessity is laid upon me." Now he is fully himself again, and he feels the constraint, the compulsion of the Spirit, so he must preach the gospel to Corinth. But to the Jews first, of course.

II. PAUL'S GOSPEL TO THE JEWS. It was and is the one gospel, but it must be adapted to the condition and understanding of the Jews, just as Paul in heathen cities must condescend to the conditions of the people there, and to the different levels of differing cities.

Fifty years ago, New Orleans

was proud of the title, "The City that Care Forgot." New Orleans with her Mardi Gras, her Vieux Carre, her French Market and Bourbon Street, her terrible New Year night celebration. Paul would not have watered his gospel, but he would have adapted it to the comprehension of New Orleans.

In Corinth Paul will preach Jesus of Nazareth as the Son of God, living, suffering, dying, being raised from the dead, as the Christ, the Messiah of the Old Testament. He will cause the Jews to understand what he is saying, and they will refuse to hear and believe.

III. THE EFFECT OF THIS REJECTION UPON THE HEART OF PAUL. He loved his people! There came no time when he did not long for them in the tender mercies of Christ. Over and again he declares that the refusal of his brethren, his kinsmen according to the flesh, to believe their own scriptures in their testimony to the Messiah, grieves his heart. He outgoes anything I have read from any other noble devoted pen when he says that he could wish himself anathema from Christ for the sake of his dear fellow Israelites, his kinsmen in the flesh. I have seen one wife so concerned for her husband, one so concerned for her son.

IV. PAUL ACCEPTS THE ALTERNATIVE. "When they resisted and blasphemed, he, shaking out his garments, said to them, 'Your blood be upon your own head! I am pure! Henceforth, I will go to the gentiles!' He had not far to go, so far as distance is concerned. It is never far from any one of us to another who needs the Lord.

You or I may meet some one who will not hear, but this is the consolation blessed; Not far away there is someone who will hear and heed and believe. Why, a house was there next to the synagogue, and Paul was welcome to it. I sigh for room to relate his wondrous experience with the encouraging and assuring Lord, and of the court scene before Gallo, but I hope we meet again.

(Lesson commentary based on 'In International Sunday School Lessons, the International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching,' copyrighted by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.)

Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions to The Church

JANUARY 31, 1960

Amity (Chickasaw)	45	47
Bethel (Cop.)	98	79
Bethlehem (Jones)	191	122
Biloxi, Forrest Ave.	140	86
Biloxi, Emmanuel	292	131
Brookhaven, First	755	276
Main	711	256
Halbert Heights	44	20
Booneville, First	238	121
Calhoun City, First	361	164
Canton, Center Terrace	232	109
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	374	174
Clarksdale	429	125
Clear Creek (Laf.)	78	70
Cleveland, Yale St.	217	102
Cleveland, Calvary	207	93
Cleveland, First	348	124
Clinton, Morrison Hgts.	151	116
Collins	153	84
Columbus, First	845	235
Crystal Springs, First	580	166
Dixie (Leb.)	181	118
Friendship (Monroe)	73	38
Greenville, Parkway	301	125
Greenwood, Calvary	449	201
Greenwood, North	498	123
Guilford, Grace Memo.	280	99
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	257	109
Hattiesburg, Central	305	173
Main	281	106
Hattiesburg, Main St.	1048	500
Main	976	436
North Main	27	27
Wayside	43	37
Horn Lake	207	106
Houston, First	399	168
Jackson:		
Ridgcrest	771	329
Midway	325	154
Temple	103	58
First	1617	826
Van Winkle	658	282
Crestwood	377	204
Alta Woods	744	320
Trinity	486	222
Hillcrest	231	151
Broadmoor	670	351
West Jackson	432	207
Oak Forest	324	98
Daniel Memo.	1029	431
Forest Hill	127	62
Calvary	1571	590
Main	1525	560
Mission	46	30
West Jackson	160	497
Kosciusko, First	563	182
Main	646	
Maple Mission	17	
Laurel:		
Maple Street	372	129
Main	347	
Mission	25	
Highland	409	160
Long Beach, First	361	104
Collins	30	88
DeLisle	19	16
Long Lake	109	92
Longview	79	65
Central	216	100
Locust St.	178	96
South	267	83
Meridian, Key Field	30	44
Moss Point	142	41
Moss Point, East	263	164
Main	246	132
Mission	37	32
Natchez:		
First	645	214
Fellowship	244	119
Jorgensen	154	66
New Albany, Neely Mem.	70	32
New Albany, First	384	196
Newton	507	230
Pascagoula, Orange	69	42
Pascagoula, First	646	224
Pascagoula, Easthams	259	125
Pearl (Rankin)	54	60
Pecan Grove (Jones)	304	136
Petal-Harvey	42	28
Harvey	87	58
Petal, Crestview	87	58
Picayune, First	325	144
Main	14	
Mission	14	
Purvis, First	327	131
Rolling Fork, First	268	98
Ruth	56	46
Sharon (GC)	72	32
Soso, First	133	91
Spradley (Scott)	133	91
Starkville, First	333	367
Terry	168	71
Trinity (Jones)	101	35
Tupelo, Harrisburg	383	188
Union, First	306	99
Weir Point:		
First	582	7
West End	201	149
Calvary Grove (Alcorn)	145	151
Wheeler	145	151
JANUARY 24, 1960		
Bethlehem (Jones)	221	130
Corinth, First	425	122
Greenwood, North	416	84
Pecan Grove (Jones)	46	54
Ridgcrest	232	113
Tupelo, Harrisburg	602	196
Tupelo, Spring St.	84	45

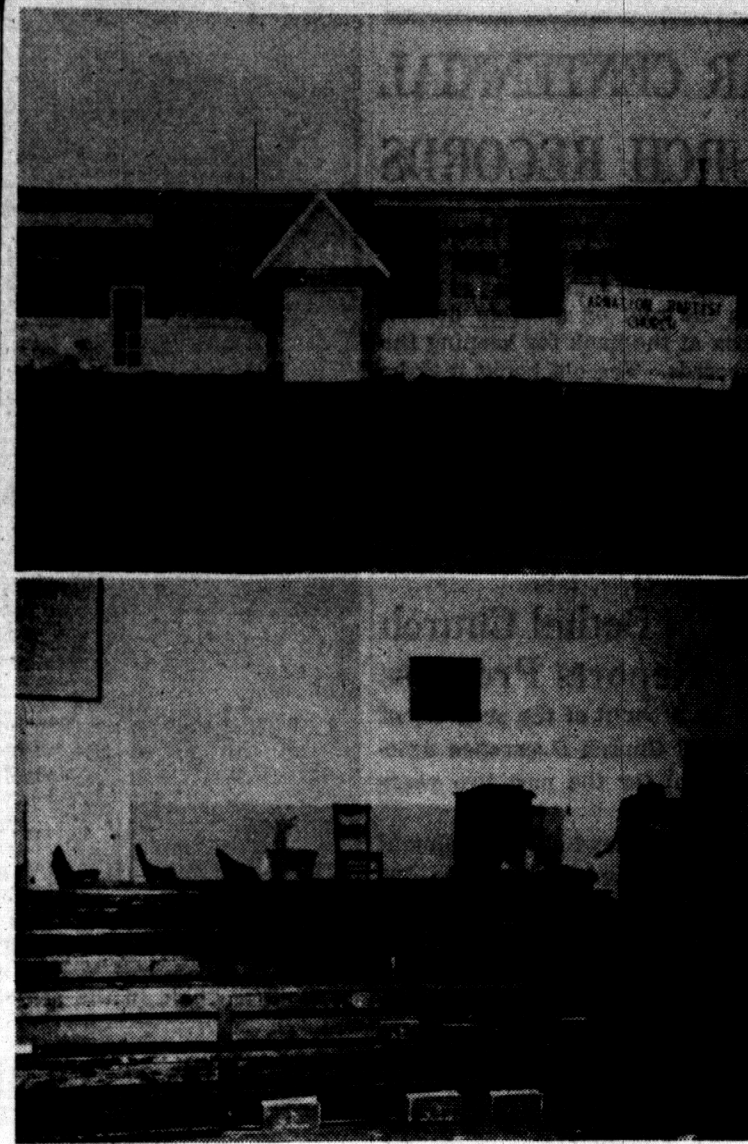
First, New Albany Attains Standard Sunday School

Under the leadership of Clay Young, Superintendent of Sunday School, First, N. Albany, reached the STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE.

Mr. Young says he has never before seen such interest among the Sunday School workers.

The most recent department to become STANDARD is the EXTENSION Department. Many of the Extension Department members will soon be able to attend Sunday School and the Worship services as the church is installing an elevator.

Dr. J. Wm. Harbin is pastor, George Van Egmond is Educational Director.



THE BROTHERHOOD of the Carnation Church, Okolona, built and paid for the new entrance to their church, shown in top photo. The building, a gift from Carnation Milk Company, has been remodeled inside (interior view in bottom photo), to include Sunday School rooms and nursery.

Carnation Men Build Entrance

The Brotherhood of Carnation Church at Okolona, with an enrollment of 10, built and paid for a front entrance to their church building. James Hindman is the Brotherhood President. The building itself was given to the 24 charter members of the church in 1957 by the Carnation Milk Company. Hence, the name — Carnation Church.

In all phases the church is growing and showing marked progress. The building has been remodeled, so that there are now six Sunday School rooms, an auditorium, and a nursery.

The church has a full-time pastor, Rev. G. C. Johnson. The W. M. U. has 10 members, with Mrs. Helen Hindman

as president. G. A. R. A., and Sunbeams are also functioning. The church, with 140 members, is in desperate need for more room and is hoping to construct a new building and use the present one for an education building.

With 56 enrolled in Training Union, Frank Long, Director, from 50 to 60 are present every Sunday night! At "M" Night, the church won the attendance banner, with 87 per cent present, AND the Efficiency banner, with a grade of 84.

There are 125 enrolled in Sunday School, with an average attendance of 100. Ed Graham is Sunday School Supt. Twenty-six received perfect attendance pins for six months.

Fulton, First To Ordain Deacons

First Church, Fulton plans to ordain seven deacons on Sunday, February 14, according to Rev. LeRoy Grissom, pastor.

Rev. W. L. Day, Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, will preach the ordination sermon.

Newly elected deacons who will receive ordination are: H. W. Holcomb, Bruce Davis, Price Prestage, Hillman Senter, Virgil Dozier, Ed May, and James

Thrash. Delmus C. Harden is chairman of the Church's deacons. Other deacons are: A. T. Cleveland, Philip A. Sheffield, Ralph Harrison, J. E. Burch and C. C. Harrison.

Since calling Rev. Grissom a few months ago, the church has added more than 40 members to its rolls, the majority by baptism. Grissom is a graduate of Southern Seminary.

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Student Leaders Discuss National Conference

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB) —State Baptist student secretaries in their annual planning conference in early December with members of the Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, discussed a nation-wide student conference to be held in 1962. The meeting is set for December 27-30, 1962, in St. Louis, Missouri's Kiel Auditorium.

State secretaries answered a roll call by giving an estimated number that will attend from their states. Total estimate was 4,500, and G. Kearney Keegan, secretary of the Sunday School Board's Student Department, suggested that the group aim towards having 5,000 students present. He further stated that he believed "it would be wise to keep our program geared to college and university students, rather than those in high school."

Dr. Keegan said the purpose of the Conference would be to present college students with a challenge of their Christian responsibilities in today's world. The conference theme has not been chosen.

Some lives come finally to be one committee meeting after another. When parents begin seriously to understand what this does to their children, they will do something about it. —Elton Trueblood in January HOME LIFE.

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That the State Sunday School Department is sponsoring three chartered buses this year?

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Write Carolyn Madison, Box 530, Jackson, for reservations and further information.

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Off The Record

What did one big toe say to the other?
Don't look now, but there are a couple of heels following us.

"Willie" puffed the fat woman plaintively as her husband failed to assist her onto the street car. "You aren't as gallant as when I was a gal."
"I know dear," puffed back Willie, "but you aren't as buoyant as when I was a boy."

If you hit a bird with a lawn mower, what kind of cereal would you have?
Shredded tweet.

Charles: What hand do you stir with?
Uncle Tom: My right hand.
Charles: Why don't you try using your spoon sometimes?

Carol: "Daddy, who is Richard Stands?"
Dad: "I never heard of him."
Carol: "Why?"
Carol: When we pledge allegiance to the flag in school we say, 'I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for Richard Stands.'

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CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL AND CHURCH RECORDS

Interest in microfilming records of churches more than 100 years old has been speeded up by the centennial observance of the Civil War. Centennial commissions have been set up in many states to discover and microfilm all the old records available for research.

Microfilm programs have been in operation in several states to photograph the minutes of all churches more than 100 years old. This interest in old records has aroused new interest in church minute books on the part of many Baptist churches. Steps have been taken to preserve old record books and to write histories of churches because of this Civil War centennial observance.

Baptist churches having their minutes microphotographed by centennial commissions have been asked to present a print of the film to the Baptist historical society of the state and the Historical Commission, Southern Baptist Convention. The churches may maintain copies of the films and deposit their old books in the state Baptist historical society for safe keeping.

Should Take Steps

In event a church has not had a centennial commission to microphotograph the minutes, steps should be taken immediately to have the records preserved in this manner, historical commission leaders advise.

Information will be released soon regarding a co-operative project of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission and the Baptist Sunday School Board microfilm unit for microphotographing church minute books. The church administration department of the Sunday School Board will promote the project.

Church records should be microphotographed in order to assure their safe keeping, and to share their historical information with history students.

The small expense involved is not to be compared with the

value of the records preserved. In many instances, the cost for a microfilm print is not as much as the rent on a safety deposit box at the bank for keeping the records. The old books may be deposited with the state Baptist historical society for safe keeping in a fireproof building without charge to the church. The microfilm copy can be used by the church when needed.

Bethel Church Reports Progress

An account of the progress of Bethel Church (Lawrence Association) for the past two years follows:

The Sunday School enrolment has increased from 91 to 220 and the Training Union enrolment has increased from 63 to 178. The Intermediate and Young People's Departments had an enrolment of 3 in 1957 and the enrolment is now 43. Although the WMU is only one year old, there is an enrolment of 60, including Sunbeams and G. A.'s.

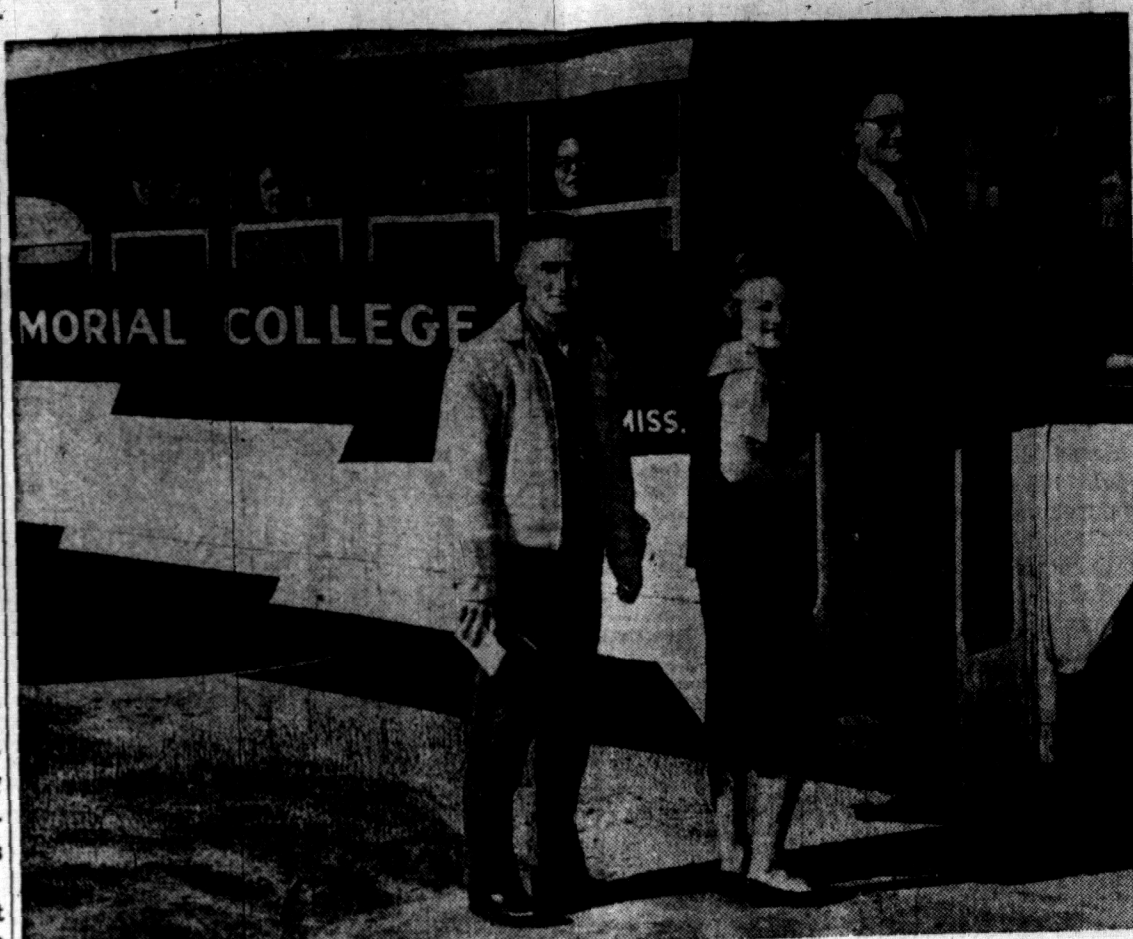
There were 110 additions to the church in the past two years with 60 of these for baptism.

Within the next few weeks the church will occupy a new building. The new auditorium has a seating capacity of 300. The educational annex includes 13 classrooms, a kitchen, 2 baths, pastor's study and church office.

In 1958 the church voted to use the Forward Program of Church Finance for 1959. The budget was \$2,000 higher than the previous year's budget. The church lacked only \$2.19 pledging the budget. At the end of the year the church had gone \$4,259 over the budget.

The church was chosen to be represented in the Town and Country Church Leadership Institute at Mississippi State University for 1960.

Rev. James Whittington is



CLARKE COLLEGE students board the College bus for Meridian on Hospital Visitation Mission. Robert Meyer, Robertsdale, Ala. (left) is missions Chairman of the B. S. U.; Sara Childs, Louisville, Miss. will visit in the women's ward and Rev. J. B. Costilow, B. S. U. Director, is on hand to guide in the project.

CLARKE STUDENTS ARE MISSIONARY-MINDED

"Missions is by mission today" is the theme of a group of Clarke College students who board the college bus each Saturday afternoon bound for points of ministry in nearby Meridian. Rev. J. B. Costilow, B. S. U. Director, (on step of bus)

is pleased with the attitude the students show as they accept assignments to go to the wards of the hospitals. The girls consider this an opportunity to witness to the women and children while the boys have rich experiences comforting and encouraging the men patients.

Robert Meyer, Robertsdale,

Ala., Chairman of the Missions Committee (first on left) considers this practical work that the students engage in every week has a two-fold value. It answers a real need on the part of the patients who need spiritual help and guidance and it also affords an avenue for the students to train in the field of missionary endeavor.

Janice Completes One Building; Begins Another

Janice Church, Brooklyn, has completed a new brick educational building. It consists of a nursery, kitchen, two bath rooms, four Sunday School rooms, and an open assembly room.

Now a new auditorium is being constructed of blonde brick; it will seat approximately 300 people. The pastor is Rev. John O. McMullen from Tupelo, a student at New Orleans Seminary.

Friendship (Pike) Gives \$1,022.80 To Christmas Offering

Friendship Church, McComb, has just completed the largest Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in the history of the church. \$1,022.80 was given, which represents a 26 per cent increase over last year. The church regularly gives 29 per cent of its budget to mission causes.

Mrs. Fay Atwood is Prayer Chairman. Rev. O. E. Thompson is pastor.

Science Fair At MC in April

Students from 12 Mississippi counties will prepare exhibits for the District IV Science Fair, announces Dr. C. L. Deever, district chairman.

The fair will be held in Province Hall on the Mississippi College campus, April 15 and 16. Dr. Deever is head of the botany department at the college.

—DEVOTIONAL

"...BY BREAD ALONE?"

By REV. TROY PRINCE
Supt. of Missions—Lauderdale County

"I may not have any bread to eat the rest of the week, but I do have my offering envelope fixed for next Sunday." These are the words of a loyal Baptist church member, aged an unable to attend any of the services of her church. The bulk of her income is from a monthly welfare check.



The occasion of this statement to her pastor came as the result of a visit to inquire about a change in her pattern of giving. For months she had made a weekly contribution of \$1.66. Her financial record revealed that on a particular Sunday she gave \$1.70. The simple explanation was, "I did not have a penny in change, so I gave an extra four cents." After this word, she made the statement quoted in the first paragraph.

Faithful Steward

The pastor asked this faithful steward to pray for him and the church before the visit was completed. Kneeling in front of her chair, a prayer was offered to God for the pastor and the church he was serving.

One's imagination would be taxed to dream of what would happen if all Christians adopted the same attitude toward giving to the work of Christ.

Think of the added effectiveness of the work of the Home Mission Board in the 30,000 Movement. Try to comprehend the joy our people would have if they had the spirit of giving demonstrated by this woman!

The increase in giving among Southern Baptists this year would amount to more than \$1 billion dollars. Enough to construct 17,472 new churches with equipment equal to the average existing Southern Baptist church. Or, it would build 130 five-hundred bed hospitals. With the increase, the budget of the Foreign Mission Board would be increased seven-fold.

Can Be A Reality

This dream can become a reality by bringing the tithes into the storehouse.

Jesus has a word for us: "Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with what measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."—Luke 6:38.

Kansas City Baptist Hospital In Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP)—Baptist Memorial Hospital, a new \$3½ million institution here, has opened.

The 11-story structure has seven floors complete and in use. The other four floors will be furnished and placed in service later. 167 hospital beds are available and a capacity of 300 beds is anticipated in the new building.

Surgical operations began immediately after opening.

Revival Dates

Central, Hattiesburg: February 7-14; Dr. J. Harold Smith, radio evangelist and former pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, preacher; Curtis French, graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, music leader; Rev. Charles Williams, pastor.

20th Century-Fox Picks Baptist Campus Setting

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. — (BP)—A 20th Century-Fox motion picture starring singer Bing Crosby will be filmed on the Wake Forest campus here during February.

The studio said other members of the cast will include teen-age singing star Fabian and actress Carol Linley. A fourth star, probably a French actress, will play opposite Crosby.

The movie has the working title "High Time." It will be in cinemascope and color. To be released in early summer, it has been described as a "comedy with songs." Crosby plays the role of a man of about 50 who has made a fortune but who didn't attend college. The story begins with Crosby entering college as a 50-year-old freshman.

Wake Forest College, a Baptist institution, was selected "because of the beauty of its campus and because weather conditions should be better in the South during February," according to 20th Century-Fox.



CHRISTIAN BUSINESSMEN GIVE TESTIMONIES.—(Minneapolis, Minn.)—Aaron A. Kilewer of Bakersfield, Calif., a farmer, at microphone, tells a Minneapolis street crowd about his religious faith, as other delegates to the 22nd annual Christian Business Men's Committee International convention await their turn to speak. Outdoor testimony time was a twice-a-day feature of this convention.—(RNS Photo).

MAA Features Bucci Paintings

The Mississippi Art Association will hold a general membership meeting at Mississippi College, Thurs., Feb. 11, at 8

p. m. Members of the association, and their guests, will be treated to two special exhibitions, says Sam Gore, head of the college's art department. These are a show furnished by the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation and a show featuring the works of Andrew Bucci, Vicksburg native.

The Bucci paintings will hang until mid-February. It includes water colors and oils. This young Mississippi artist has studied at Louisiana State University and School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He now resides in Washington, D. C., where he is a meteorologist with the U. S. Weather Bureau.

Bethlehem Ordains Minister

Bethlehem Church, Jones County, ordained Michael Thornton to the gospel ministry on Sunday afternoon, January 31. Rev. Thornton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thornton, Route 6, Laurel, was ordained at the request of Bethel Church, Jones County, where he is now pastor.

Rev. D. C. Jenkins, Bethlehem pastor, preached the ordination sermon. Others on program were Rev. W. P. Young, Supt. of Missions; Rev. G. E. Wells, Glade pastor; Rev. E. G. Wells, South Laurel; Rev. Robert Hollifield, Indian Springs; and Rev. J. G. McDavid, mem-

Leaders Denounce Anti-Semitic Incidents

NEW YORK (RNS)—Religious and civic leaders in this country voiced abhorrence at the world-wide outbreak of anti-Semitic incidents that first erupted in West Germany with painted swastikas and hate slogans.

Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz of New Rochelle, N. Y., secretary of the United Lutheran church in America said that "any malicious affront to the people from

whom my Savior sprang I count as dishonoring His name and nature."

In Philadelphia, Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., said that "some of these things merely are another form of juvenile delinquency." But, he added, "it appears to me, there must have been some organization responsible, although there is a latent racial prejudice across the world that tends to imitate any such expressions. . . ."

Chilean Church Doubles Budget

First Baptist Church, Santiago, Chile, was a proving ground for the Forward Program of Church Finance in Latin America.

The church heard the suggestion for such a program in September; asked Missionary John H. McTyre, who had had experience in the States, to be director; and carried out the program in November — at a cost of only \$210.

Here are the results: On Saturday night, November 21, 290 people attended the Loyalty Dinner (that many Baptists enjoying a full-course dinner together may be commonplace in Louisville, Dallas, or Atlanta but it is a new experience in the shoeleather land of Chile). The next day 295 persons turned in signed pledge cards during a special service, subscribing \$6,735.70 toward a 1960 budget goal of \$6,736.40.

A week of follow-up brought the pledges to \$9,153.20, almost double the amount of the 1959 budget. Of the persons who signed

pledge cards, 203 — or 67 per cent of the 300 resident church members — agreed to tithe.

There were handicaps: The program was entirely new to the church. Materials in Spanish did not arrive until after the middle of November. There could be no telephone committee (vital in the States) because only about 5 per cent of the people have telephones. And the church gave its efforts to two evangelistic campaigns during the preparation time.

But the members pitched in and did the work, including preparing and serving the Loyalty Dinner, making posters, and sending out news releases. Missionary Roberta Ryan, a member of the church, prepared and translated stewardship Sunday school lessons since the Spanish copies did not arrive on time.

First Baptist Church is located in the center of Santiago on its own property in a building donated by the Jarman Foundation. Its membership is composed primarily of persons from the working class, with very few professional people. Sunday school enrolment is 384. Gustavo Lopez is the national pastor and John A. Parker, the missionary pastor.



Rev. Bill Stewart

GILLSBURG ORDAINS MINISTER

Gillsburg Church recently ordained to the gospel ministry Rev. Bill Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stewart of Gillsburg. The ordination was done at the request of Robinson Church, Peoria, Miss., which has called Rev. Stewart as pastor.

One of Rev. Stewart's grandfathers, Rev. S. W. Spores, was a preacher; his father is a deacon at Gillsburg.

A graduate of Mississippi College and a student at New Orleans Seminary, Bill is a foreign missions volunteer.

Rev. Charles Phillips, Wesson, preached the ordination sermon; Rev. Coby E. Byrne, Student Director at Mississippi College, delivered the charge to the candidate; Rev. Curtis I. Miller, host pastor, delivered the charge to the church and led the ordination prayer.

Harmony Ordains Two Deacons

January 31 Harmony Church, Laurel, ordained Billy Buckelew and Stanley Butler as deacons.

The pastor, Rev. Tommy Fant, preached the ordination sermon. The ordination prayer was led by James S. Poole, followed by the laying on of hands.

The deacons operate on the rotation system. In this service, E. L. Scoggin was returned to active duty.



PASTOR Gustavo Lopez (left), First Baptist Church, Santiago, Chile, and Missionaries John H. McTyre and John A. Parker discuss goals for the Forward Program of Church Finance.—(Photo by John A. Parker).



THE FIRST G. A. CORONATION service at Neshoba Church was held December 20, using the theme, "We Have Seen His Star," and the manger scene as decorative background. Intermediate R. A.'s lighted the candles. Participants were Marsha Howie, Betty Ruth Rhodes, Helen Thompson, Dorothy Bounds, Carolyn Thompson, Sue Hoyt, Maidens; Janice Brunson, Janet Brunson, Betty Ann Boler, Ladies-in-Waiting; Fay Pilgrim, Ruth Boler, Princesses; Faye Howie, Queen; Christy Boler, flower girl; Allen Brunson, crown bearer; Rev. W. E. Palmer, pastor; Mrs. W. J. Vance, W. M. U. President; Mrs. W. E. Palmer, G. A. Director. Mrs. W. B. Boatner gave the awards and crowned the queen. A reception followed the service.